

# THE NOR'EASTER

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## DEDICATION

It is with mixed feelings of pride and misgivings that the staff of the "Nor'easter" presents the student body with this first edition. To be consistent with the general aims of Northeastern, our publication has striven to present subjects of real interest and value to a school whose members have been trained both in the business world and study to distinguish trivialities from facts. This is not an ordinary school. Every one of us demands a training here so concentrated that cultural value is neglected for economic and commercial value. Time is precious, so that the only social value is that sense of comradeship with our fellow students. A paper which did not recognize these common facts would be out of sympathy with its readers. Therefore, if a dedication is necessary, we hereby dedicate the "Nor'easter" to the further knowledge of the student body. If the lighter side of life is evidenced by certain articles, it is because we are human and expect you are also. Criticisms are welcome as well as suggestions, for after all this is your paper and is never intended to be the ideas and thoughts of a small group. We hope you like it.

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### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

"The Nor'easter" as a name for this Northeastern University publication was chosen with the staff fully aware that all existing grammatical rules of contraction as given by Yankee fishermen had been violated. These rules dictate that such contractions as Nor'wester or Sou'wester are legitimate and proper, but the curses of the Seven Seas be brought down upon the seafarer who uses the contractions Sou'easter or Nor'easter. With such odds as these against us, we were still in favor of the title, "The Nor'easter," for what other word is there that would be as fitting as this one which not only serves to connect the paper with the school in the mind of the casual outside reader but it also depicts the character of the paper, that of determination and purpose in a definite direction. For the misuse of this word we do humbly beg the forgiveness of all those who follow the sea.

### What's in a Name

(continued)

#### RELATIVES OF ARGESTES

Alice Martha Davis as	Zephyr
Barbara Dubuzesk as	her twin sister
James Knight as	Boreas
Ralph Potter as	Charon
Edward J. Dunphy as	Eurus
Frederick R. Schreiter as	Typhon
David Turnbull as	Aeolus
L. W. Schopee as	Sirocco
Hamilton Torrey	(caught in the draft)

# CALENDAR FOR 1935-1936

The following is a list of coming events and future attractions, which will appear before summer just as surely as you have to pay tuition and get out your rubbers:

If you are attending class on Thursday evenings, you doubtless know that you have the privilege of lengthing your school year by making up the class you must forego on Thursday, ..... November 28, which is Thanksgiving. If you can celebrate with the fattest of turkeys and the reddest of cranberries and still have nothing but good to remember of the day, you deserve to be on the Dean's list.

The last class before Christmas comes on Friday, ..... December 20, and classes will not be resumed until 1936, on Monday, ..... January 6.

Of course, you may be allowed to attend some make-up class during this period. But who wants a vacation anyway? except for a chance to wish the rest of the world a happy holiday season and the best of success for the coming year.

Second semester classes begin between, or about, ..... January 6.

This really amounts to something if you have a couple of half-year courses and have to start a new subject with a freshly completed final examination on your mind.

Again luck is with the Monday night student (until he has to make up these holidays) for Patriots' Day comes on Sunday and is to be celebrated on Monday, ..... January 20-24.

For Seniors only: Friday, ..... April 20.  
is the last possible date for filing applications for Degrees and for payment of the graduation fee. Do take hope, however, for troubles are nearly over, in spite of the final examinations.

Between Monday, ..... May 11,  
and Friday, ..... May 29,

everybody wishes everybody else good luck and happy landing and is thankful that he doesn't have to take every examination on the schedule.

The Baccalaureate Services are held on Sunday, ..... June 7,  
and every member of the student body is cordially invited to attend the exercises.

The most exclusive affair of the entire year is Class Day, which comes on Monday, ..... June 8.

There is no faintest hope of attending unless you have an invitation.

Commencement Day is set for Wednesday, ..... June 10.

This is a gala event, and everyone delights in being present to wish the graduating class the best of all good things, which they surely deserve by this time.

On Thursday, ..... June 11,  
when the Alumni hold their reunion, there will be much back-slapping and talk of the good-old-days, and the undergraduate is very envious.

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Just a breeze from the flute of Zephyr!

## THE ART OF STUDY

That real study is an art will be admitted by practically all students and faculty from Oxford, mother of learning, to those nondescript institutions that dot the scholastic map of the United States. A three months' course in concentration, and dissemination of important facts in text books would be the saving grace for many a struggler and would put the job of evening study on an efficiency basis.

By learning the art of pure relaxation it has been proven that a person may exist in perfect health and comfort with a maximum of four hours' sleep. Edison was the master of this art but he had to learn it. Similarly concentration of the mind on the subject matter has to be learned and those who imagine that it is a matter of a few lessons had better go back to the old methods that have enabled them to continue thus far. Like many other things in life, study and concentration must be practiced until it is no longer in the lesson stage but has been thoroughly ingrained as a habit. Habit controls more of our life than can be imagined at first thought. It may be both a good servant and a terrible master.

All of us have probably passed through the usual distractions attentive to an evening's study. The inevitable drink of water, the sharpening of a pencil, the brief snatch at the radio, sport page, the raid on the pantry. These phenomena show that the mind is not prepared or open for study yet. When you get right into the thick of the work though, you may have noticed how your attention is becoming more absorbed in the idea of completing the work and less to fussing around, proving that it is merely a matter of forcing the mind to hitch itself to the task and start working. Right here the definite essential of proper study shows up, the complete conquest of the mind, senses and imagination. This is no easy task, but as stated before, it is difficult

only until the habit is formed. The first fifteen evenings are the hardest.

How can one acquire this habit? Several factors contribute the answer to this question, each one of which is so important that no definite order can be established.

Perhaps the first essential of these factors is the careful regulating of the evening meal. A heavy dinner drains the blood from the brain and sets it to digesting the meal. The effect is one of drowsiness and ineffectual attempt to absorb information from books, even though the material is read several times. So eat in moderation and make up for it if you wish, by a late raid on the pantry (if you get away with it). Relax at least half an hour after supper to give the system a rest from the day's labors, and if you still feel groggy when study time comes do some computation work first before tackling the serious reading.

Another factor to make evening study efficient is the thorough planning of the work. Determine the hour of starting and **start then**. Jot down in order the work you wish to accomplish, placing the more important towards the beginning of your schedule. Determine a reasonable stopping time so that each item of study will receive just so much of the time available. The quitting hour must be a reasonable one, the most favored period between 10.30 and 11.30. The brain has a saturation point in this problem of study beyond which it is useless and, even more, detrimental to the work accomplished, to try to force it to absorb more when your system cries for sleep. Those people of whom you hear studying till 1 and 2 in the morning simply haven't planned their study and more often have accomplished less than the fellow who plans his study in a concentrated form.

Experience has shown that absorbing information and data from a book is more difficult than the working of problems. There is an exactness and preciseness about the latter that the former lacks.

The gale continues on the next page.



When a chapter is assigned for study, the following ideas may prove helpful: Remember first, that the chapter generally covers one specific phase of the subject generally indicated by the title of the chapter. This chapter may also be subdivided into definite sections of the subject material. Here then is the fundamental foundation for the permanent absorption of the chapter's contents. Remember the title of the chapter, its several subdivisions, and the data composing these divisions should be recalled if your mind has compiled and digested the necessary material. Underscoring the important material is excellent for a rapid glance over the contents of the chapter, but making your own outline of the material is better still. Superfluous data should be

avoided and the outline made to cover only outstanding parts.

Everyone is familiar with the requirements of good lighting, a fairly comfortable but not lounging chair, and above all quiet undisturbed study. Those who must study in rooms used by the rest of the family frequently have only sympathy coming to them. Your own desk and isolated room are 50 per cent. of this battle of concentration.

That some good ideas are incorporated in this article may be the general consensus of opinion but some students possibly in the majority will continue along the same old lines with the attending same old results. If a few, however, sense some value in these remarks a few less headaches will be experienced when those final exams loom on the horizon.

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Aeolus is responsible for this squall. The sun set in the southwest after consuming a Welsh Rabbit. It was cooked with the fur on because it was a furrin rabbit. Play Argestes!

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### "NITE AFTER NITE"

Few of us realize that the genial economics teacher, Mr. Brown, is really an artist of the first water. The other night an invention concerning boats and canals was decribed to us in technical jargon by Mr. Brown. Seeing the blank dull look of the bewildered students, he seized the chalk and with several dexterous sweeps of the arm and numerous squints of the eye for proper alignment, there was unfolded before our eyes a picture of the apparatus which brought the class bolt upright in their chairs. The curves and lines indicated the touch of a master in the making. When questioned about his talent, Mr. Brown modestly declined all information and praise and gave us the impression that it was purely a hobby with him. In his own words, "I don't take any credit for this. It's a gift." Thus it is shown that talent springs from rarely suspected sources. What a pity that art must bow to commerce!

Have you ever noticed the stillness and awesome hush of our library in comparison with the rest of the school rooms? We always connect it somehow with the cathedrals of Rome and the vaults of old English abbeys. Someone coughed in there the other day and fervently wished he had strangled to death instead because he was practically forced to leave the room feeling like one who laughs at a funeral. We know of a certain person in school of sound mind who has vowed a sacred oath to drop one of those mammoth Webster's dictionaries in the said catacomb, laugh like a hyena, and depart, banging violently the swinging doors. A noble ambition!

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### Tuition

Won't someone please develop a painless way of paying tuition? It's bad enough to part with money in the first place, but after waiting half an hour in line—it's noble.

## INHERITANCE

The honor of being the oldest branch of The Northeastern University Evening Schools belongs to the School of Law. This school was founded in 1898. Before that year there were two fine law schools in Massachusetts but they were day schools. Harvard University School of Law and Boston University School of Law did not reach the large number of men and women who worked days and had only evenings for study. To serve this group, the Northeastern University School of Law was established under the able guidance of the Hon. James R. Dunbar, Prof. James Bar Ames, then Dean of the Harvard School of Law, and Mr. Samuel Bennett, then Dean of Boston University School of Law. With such a beginning, success was assured and the recognition and endorsement of the school by members of the bar, heads of other law and professional schools, proves that it did succeed. Divisions of the School of Law are located in Worcester and Springfield, the latter having been established in 1919. The program is a five-year course leading to a degree of Bachelor of Laws.

The School of Business with divisions in Worcester, Springfield and Providence at the present time was first established in 1907. It has the distinction of being the first undergraduate school of business in New England. The Massachusetts Legislature authorized degree granting powers four years later. The Springfield division was established in 1919. Work in all the divisional schools is supervised from and similar to that in Boston.

The program is a six-year course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration. A six-year curriculum in accounting is also offered leading to the same degree.

The Applied Science branch is the youngest member of the group, having had its inception in 1920. This program was originally known as the Evening Engineering School and later as the Evening Polytechnic School and Evening Engineering Institute. In 1924 this school was discontinued because it was not a degree conferring school. The Y. M. C. A., however, continued it under the name of the Springfield Engineering Institute because it was evident that there was a real need for a school of this kind. This prompted the officials in Boston to decide to place the school on a degree granting basis and to take it back into the University. This was done in 1930. The program covers a six-year period and confers a degree of Bachelor of Commercial Science. There is an especially large enrollment in this branch this year.

From the beginning, women were admitted in the Worcester Division School of Law. Women were first admitted to the Springfield Division School of Law in September, 1921. It was not until January of 1922 that the Trustees of Northeastern University, acting on the recommendation of the corporation of the School of Law, voted to admit women to the other schools in Boston and to the divisions.

Pre-College subjects, English, History, Economics, Mathematics, etc., are also taught in the Springfield Division. These courses are intended to assist applicants for admission to remove conditions and to prepare them for a course in one of the regular programs.

The faculty is composed largely of men who have been with Northeastern University for several years. Over twenty five of its members were appointed more than ten years ago.

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Typhon drifts in with this wheeze about the past. It's a puff.

## YE FRESHMEN DRINK CIDER

Freshmen, are you making the most of Northeastern by trying to develop a well rounded personality? Or are you one of those people who did not hear about this and other things because you were unable to attend the Freshman meeting after school, October 4?

This meeting was held to permit you Freshmen to get acquainted with each other and some of the faculty as soon as possible.

Mr. Churchill, Director of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, spoke rather briefly but directly to the point when he said that now is the time for you to make the most of your opportunity to get acquainted with your fellow students and be started on the way toward those profitable and splendid associations which will assure you of undying friendships. Those friendships should not be limited to your fellow classmates. Why not include the instructors? They are not such bad friends. As freshmen you will come in contact with eighteen of the fifty-two members of the faculty. Now is the time to start learning seriously and sincerely. In speaking of our faculty Mr. Churchill once said, "If I could trade our faculty with as many from any other institution, sight unseen, I would keep our faculty. Only one Administrative regulation was mentioned—that of smoking in the corridors leading to the classrooms. These corridors are too small and poorly

ventilated to permit smoking. If you wish to smoke, go to the ends of these corridors, through the doorways and into the stairways.

Mr. Hutchinson is the councilor for the Applied Science students. He also stressed the true value of college associations for itself and added, "Education is not knowledge, getting things or facts but training, mental training. The exercise of the mental possibilities causes growth. The college man, because of his training, can think better than the one without this training." The Administration wants your success and they offer their assistance to the limit. To the Applied Science group, Mr. Hutchinson offers his help to lighten the load, not by doing the work for you but by casting light on the dark places.

Associate Dean Miller is the councilor for all other students outside of the Applied Science School. Go to him with your problems, or to the individual instructors. They will always be willing to help.

"The College does not prepare you for your future work. It is up to you to do this yourself by using the tools which we present," said Mr. Bowen, the Bursar. He added, "Try to develop a well rounded personality by taking advantage of these opportunities both in study and in the friendships which you can and will develop."

Mr. Torrey's speech was cut short because he was hungry.

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Boreas, in the guise of a representative of the press, blows in on the Frosh-Faculty cider (sod. bi-carb.) party. He breezes out and ventilates his opinions with this blast. Close the window.

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Was it for this we climbed the stairs  
And crammed and cribbed and uttered  
prayers

That now, in spite of tempting Fate,  
We get C plus at half past eight.

(Apologies to Edna.)

If only all the instructors would get up and walk around when they think the class is sleeping, instead of calling on someone who probably needs the sleep anyway! There's nothing like a walking instructor to keep one awake.

### ENROLLMENT FIGURES

In the daily course of business and industry in our local neighborhoods one frequently hears queries as to the success of the Springfield branch of Northeastern, whether or not the enrollment is remaining constant or increasing or decreasing, what courses are offered, which courses seem to be more popular and so on. And in these queries one often times notices real interest, that shown by persons who want to do something about the positions they have, something by which they could better themselves.

On the other side of the picture a glance at the enrollment figures for 1934 and 1935 shows us the start other people have made. The total enrollment of students for 1934 was 403, of whom 135 were Freshmen. The total enrollment of students for 1935 was 451, of whom 141 are Freshmen.

There is much speculation as to the reasons for the considerable increase in enrollment in the Applied Science course. One explanation is the fact that the larger factories and businesses here in Springfield and in nearby towns have recently begun to operate on more regular and possibly faster schedules. Where possible, those former employees available were recalled but in many cases the old employees have been replaced by new, inexperienced young men. The companies gain a cer-

tain advantage in employing these unskilled men by saving on wages.

But these young men, after looking into the future, have seen opportunities for themselves in these large companies if they were fitted by an education to step into more responsible positions when business increases still more. Consequently those men are turning to night school courses to help them. Of course, from these manufacturing concerns the men are going into the Applied Science course for a better understanding of their everyday problems.

At the same time there are those people who prefer to remain in the commercial business world. That many see opportunities for advancement in their own companies or with others is seen by the greater number of Accounting students. Although the Freshman enrollment in Administration decreased 10, the total remained the same as in 1934 proving that this course is of real value to people in the business world.

The course in Law and Business shows an increase which by its very number, though small, shows that the course commands respect and is potentially of value. The Law course, always popular, maintains approximately the same level and attracts about the same number of incoming students.

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Some aerodynamics measured by the weather-vane of figures, from the exhaust of Eurus. No backfire.

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### NEW FRIENDS

Each year brings to Northeastern new interests, many new students and a few new members to the faculty. The new interests and new students we welcome as an evidence that the work of the school has proven satisfactory, as an evidence of logical growth. The new members of the faculty are chosen. They come to us because we find in them certain qualities that Northeastern stands for and believes in. So that you may know them

better we present a few facts concerning them. To quote from the Foreword to the University bulletin entitled "The Faculty," we are presenting, "their academic and practical experience in the fields of their instruction."

#### Ernest Adolph Berg

Teacher of Advanced Accounting Problems. He graduated in 1922 from Northeastern University in Boston where he obtained the degree of Bachelor of Science. In 1931, he received his LL.B. degree



## MARKS AND REMARKS

The purpose of this article is to dispel some of the mystery surrounding marks at Northeastern. It will explain first, what marks stand for and second, how to get them. It sounds almost like a system.

At the top of the list stands A. A is given to super-beings whose grade is between 90 per cent. and 100 per cent. It was only by delving into musty archives that it was possible to find an A and so reproduce it here. No A's have been seen in recent years. One of our older instructors remembered having given an A long ago and search of records brought it to light.

Next in line is B which represents 80 per cent. to 89 per cent. Ah! B is more familiar. They are not so plentiful as to clutter up the corridors but one is captured now and then.

Now we come to our friend C. C is the pal of the great majority. It means 70 per cent. to 79 per cent. There must be a reason for such popularity. There is. Not only is but are, for here are some. On the part of the students it is easy to make a C. Usually a small amount of study will net a C. On the part of instructors C is still easy to make, it takes only one swirling swish of the red pencil.

Last we have D, 60 per cent. to 69 per cent. Here is the real brother who pulls you under the wire. Anything below D

constitutes failure, therefore let us draw the curtain on F and avert the gaze.

Now that we have the marks all safely corralled let's consider how to get them. Instructors keep a record of class work. This mark is determined by the completeness and accuracy of answers to questions. Some instructors of large classes, where it is not possible to call on each student every night, occasionally require written questions. These written questions are sprung without warning after the manner of an Indian ambushing a deer.

There are regular tests for each course. Usually four tests for a full year course and two for a half year course. Each course ends with a final examination.

The instructors decide what weight shall be given to the tests, and class work in determining the final grade. A common system is to allow one-third for class work's average, one-third for tests average, and one-third for final examination. A few of the instructors not desiring to be common have developed systems of their own. This has the advantage of eliminating discussion. It is too involved for the poor student to argue about.

In closing, a serious word may not be out of place. Regardless of the methods used to determine it, or whether the final grade is A or D the thing that counts is what the student gets out of his work in Northeastern.

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Another current from the larynx of Charon. It issues from the cave of the winds as a deep and dark mystery, becomes inflated and has a blowout. That's serious, so it ends as a flat tire.

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from the Boston, Northeastern School of Law and his C. P. A. from the State of Massachusetts. Mr. Berg at present is an attorney at law, member of and partner in the firm of Hitchcock and Company, C. P. A.'s at Springfield. He is also a member of the Kiwanis Club.

**Carl O. Chauncey**

Born in Melrose, Mass., attended

Springfield schools, graduated from High School of Commerce and Springfield Northeastern (L.L. B. 1925); assistant secretary and attorney, Production Credit Corporation of Springfield; member of Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, Springfield Lodge of Masons, Delta Chapter Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, Appalachian Mountain Club, Springfield City Club.



## LET US MAKE THE NEW YEAR A BETTER YEAR

Many of the fine resolutions that we made on January first have fallen by the way. But we, who are engaged in school work, have another chance for resolutions. We are preparing to start a new school year. We owe it to ourselves to make it a better year.

True, what we accomplish is going to depend somewhat on how well and how wisely we prepared ourselves in the past. Nevertheless, most of us can do much better this year than we did last year. You know it and so do I.

At the moment the prospects for the new year at the Evening Division School of Business are very bright. We expect more students this year. Most of our faculty friends will be back. There will be some new faces all along the line, but we shall soon become well acquainted with one another.

We are living in momentous times. The world is emerging from a devastating and demoralizing depression. Where we are going only the next few years can tell us. What better can we be doing during these years, not only to help ourselves as individuals, but to increase our service to our land, than to strive to learn the principles upon which lasting and just decisions may be founded?

Private business is becoming increasingly the object of government regulation. The government is itself engaged in gi-

gantic business enterprises where sound business knowledge and judgment are essential to successful completion and operation.

We, whose duty it is to guide the school, are watching these developments from day to day in order that we may bring to our students the latest and best in texts, materials and services.

The School of Business will continue to operate along the lines developed so painstakingly by my able predecessor, Dean Carl D. Smith, and his associates. Of course there will be changes in the future just as there have been in the past, because each new year brings new problems.

So as we start our new school year, let us all resolve to make it a better year,—a much better year!

RUSSELL WHITNEY, Dean.

Russell Whitney was formerly Associate Director of the Springfield Division of Northeastern. He held that position from July, 1929, to June, 1935, when he resigned to become Dean of Northeastern University School of Business. He taught Legal Aspects of Business while here.

It is interesting to note that three times in the last ten years the highest scholastic average in the graduating class has been held by a woman. This is an excellent record as the co-eds certainly do not constitute 30 per cent. of the student body.

### John Hayes Miller

Instructor of the course in Business Statistics and Forecasting. He was graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in 1927. At present he is connected with the Actuarial Department of the Monarch Life Insurance Company. He is a Fellow of the Actuarial Society of America; Fellow of the American Institution of Actuaries. Fellow Associate of Casual Actuarial Society.

### Maurice M. Blodgett

Mr. Blodgett, while not a member of

the actual faculty of the University, is now one of our administrative staff. Among his sterling qualities is the fact that he is a Vermonter by birth. He is a graduate of Tufts College with the Harvard touch obtained from courses in criminology. Prior to coming to us he was connected with the Shirley Industrial School for Boys, in an administrative capacity. He is now a student in the second year of the School of Law. Being married, he is off the eligible list.

## EDITORIAL

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Be duly warned before you read. The following are words. Words make enemies, and words get me laughed at. These are only words and they don't want to hurt anything. It has been suggested that Nor'easter take a separate and distinct theme for each issue.

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An entire issue, for example, might be given over to the faculty. Not much said about them, the space given over to them for their opinions about Northeastern. This can be attained in two ways:

1. Have members of the faculty write articles, or contribute filler.

2. Have members of the staff interview faculty members on some particular subject, or get ideas on any subject the instructors want to talk about.

The same could be worked out in another issue given over to the alumni.

It might, however, be advisable to select some topic for an issue and collect theoretical, specific, complementary, and conflicting opinions on the topic from students, faculty, and alumni.

Of course, all publications have heretofore, and this one seems to be heading in the direction of all others, developed departments, and columns. Apparently, the poem Mr. Schreiter had the idea of will become a continued story. The calendar can be enlarged on from month to month, pertaining to separate periods.

I should, personally, like to see the magazine be the connecting link between all departments of the school, where anyone at all can feel an equal chance of having his stuff published. Then the board would become an editing board and a deciding group, and we'd be able to fight until eleven o'clock instead of 10:00. If

the school could feel it was **their** magazine, and not a lot of Little Lectures by little people (that's not what I think, you know), they would contribute such a wealth of material that there would be not the slightest inclination to publish anything below standard or reddish radical.

Also, a magazine written by the same seven every month becomes the same magazine with a different date. And who wants that? There aren't anything but Royal Decrees and Sing-Sing Bulletins that are written by the same powers-that-be every time.

Even if they do write about something that exists outside the walls of the Y. M. building, they might like to feel it will be at least discussed because they wrote it.

If we gave the entire school a chance to write anything for us what would we get? Possibly a lot of razzing, a lot of wise-cracks, a lot of jokes that got wet in Noah's flood, and maybe some raving, raging radical political theories. And possibly some honest to goodness articles written by business-administration students, and potential lawyers and about the stuff that interests them. Possibly we might get a short story or a poem. And why not, if they're so good. In this cold, matter-of-fact school of business men, and lawyers, and scientists, and accountants, why shouldn't there be something that barely approaches the cultural?, classical?, academic?, whatever it is.

Of course Mr. Torrey already has our sources of information for us, and we'll do what he wants even if he has to get us to think that we thought of it. But that's all right, too. It was only a thought anyway.

But wherever we go — let's go

# Northeastern University

SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

## YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

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This page was blank, blank, we are told, that an institution might be advertised. As such, it was an opportunity and an obligation. But the institution's agent of publicity is not a strong exponent of display advertising for institutions academic in nature. Institutions, he believes, rather by indirect yet inevitable publicity of their intrinsic work and the quality and warmth of their institutional life procure in due season that public acceptance which is fundamental to the life of an educational institution and which is invaluable to its sons and daughters.

In due season? How painfully seldom does anything of worth receive at an early date that modicum of praise or support which may be its just desert! At least so it seems to some charged with its welfare yet responsible for being "the monkey wrench upon the safety valve" of too rapid advance, too transient attainment. However, there is always so much that might be done if only the potential doers, saw and felt the opportunity and the obligation to do the extra which ever is the medium in life to the greater dividends, spiritual and material, which thoughtful men and women rightfully covet.

At "Springfield Northeastern" the early classes received by far the least in quality and quantity; yet they perceived the opportunity and accepted the obligation to engender, and in succeeding years have fostered, along with the faculty, the *esprit des corps* which makes possible our present appreciable blessings. At the best, though, we have attained only the first general wave of advance. An advance in battle or out is a matter of the spirit of the personnel even more than of the virtue of equipment or the orders of the day. Our past gains are well consolidated, but are we of the present alive to larger spheres of action than hours of study and recitation? Have we an awareness of the fact that our joint extra curricular interest, animus, activity, our *esprit des corps*, gauges our future achievements and happiness?

This issue of the NOR'EASTER, born entirely of the mind of an instructor and a few students feeling the need today of greater "oneness" in our "Springfield Northeastern" fellowship, born of that feeling and a deal of hard work, gives birth to the hope we may have permanently the most typical, indispensable, single possible expression of institutional interest. It further indicates, whether it persists or not, that we can be larger than class requirements; that in the "minds of the corps" the idea of new and desirable achievements is alive; it may well be the pioneer movement in our next major development.

But whatever the NOR'EASTER may be, any or all that we individually may be, is inexorably conditioned by what we as a unit in fellowship make of our institution by our broadest student acquaintance and our extra curricular activity. We wish the NOR'EASTER well; we thank those who of their own volition undertook the experiment; but above all things now, we desire for all Northeastern men and women that largeness of college fellowship that lightens the present and enriches the future, and which comes largely from the uses we make and the obligations we assume in developing it in undergraduate days.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN DOANE CHURCHILL.

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## Counselling at Northeastern

There is an accommodation available to Northeastern students of which few realize the value until they are requested to make use of it at the pain of losing a mark. Then it becomes a duty, and counselling was never meant to inflict duty upon students.

At a night school there is probably twice the need of a good group of counsellors and a good counselling system as there is in a day school. With life so full of other things, it is only natural that work and other affairs interfere at times with the full amount of time for school. Discouragement is always ready to gain a hold on students unless they have someone or something to turn to for advice or suggestions.

The counsellors are ready at all times to assist in any problem which confronts a student. It is not necessary for him to

wait until he receives a below-passing mark and is summoned to appear before a counsellor.

The instructors who serve as counsellors are:

Mr. Frank Auchter—For upper class Law students.

Mr. Richard Woodbury—For first and second year Law students.

Mr. Guy Miller—For all Business Administration students.

Mr. Fred Hutchinson—For all Applied Science students.

It is interesting to note that the majority of students have developed a counselling system of their own. They become acquainted with their own instructors and feel free to take any problem to them. They have found that every instructor at Northeastern is ready and willing to help to the fullest of his ability.

## The Sorority and Fraternities at Northeastern

### Part 1. Delta Chapter, Pi Tau Kappa.

The young college student of today has realized that the full benefits of going to college cannot be derived solely from attending classes. They have felt the need of making friendships outside of classes. Consequently they have met the desire for social activity by forming and maintaining fraternities and sororities.

Springfield Northeastern has two fraternities: Epsilon Phi Sigma and Delta Chapter, Pi Tau Kappa. Sigma Nu Upsilon is the sorority.

The Pi Tau Kappa fraternity consists of four chapters. The Alpha Chapter is in Boston, Beta in Worcester, Gamma in Providence, and Delta in Springfield.

This organization holds inter-chapter activities in order to promote friendship among all the branches of Northeastern University. Annual meetings are held alternately in each of the four cities. At these functions the chapters compete to determine the outstanding ritual and initi-

ation team. A silver plaque will be awarded to the chapter winning three of these competitions. A banquet and a dance complete the day's activities.

In addition to the suppers and initiations held six or more times each year, the Delta Chapter invites speakers who are prominent in the social, business, and professional life in and around Springfield. They have tramped through war-burdened Ethiopia with Reverend Gup-till. They have felt the thrill of aviation from ground school to dog fight with an American ace. They have analyzed business conditions with Mr. James Shea of the Morgan Envelope Co. They will peer into government problems with former Governor Ely at the March meeting.

Delta Chapter presents annually the Delta Junior Scholarship Award to the Junior at Springfield Northeastern who has the highest scholastic standing. This Junior receives \$25, and his or her name

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## A Debate

### The Advantages of a Commercial Education Contrasted With the Advantages of a Liberal Education

More than 400 young men and women attend classes three nights a week at Springfield Northeastern. They spend several hours more in preparation for those classes. They do this 32 weeks every year for six years.

Why?

Perhaps the initial driving force is the desire to possess a degree in Law, or Business, or Science. Perhaps they visualize a material gain through better positions and increased wages, and so set out to get them through evenings spent in study.

Northeastern fills these requirements well, but it realizes also that success cannot always be measured in dollars and cents. Although Northeastern is a specialized school, preparing students for definite places in the economic world, it offers its students the same chances for good fellowship, for friendship, and for a broader understanding of the major problems that are offered in a so-called Liberal Arts college.

It has been suggested that a liberal education depends upon the individual, not upon the school.

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#### LIBERAL EDUCATION

It is contended that purely commercial training falls far short of the aims of education.

The difference between liberal education and commercial education, as a way to prepare for life, lies within the individual's philosophy and depends upon his own outlook. Commercial education stresses the eternal search for money gain and sets commercial progress up as the mainspring of all existence.

The schools which offer specialized training for a place in the business world base their selling appeal on personal advancement as typified by wealth and the acquisition of money. Charts are presented to prospective students to show the differences in the positions held by first-year students, and those held by the same students after graduation. The positions are graded according to salaries received, and not according to their relative importance in service to society or to those who hold them.

If the route to happiness and success is based on salary and material position, why is it that the group of men striving all their lives to amass fortunes and make

#### COMMERCIAL EDUCATION

It is contended that a Commercial Education fills a definite place in the lives of those who earn their livings, and that a Liberal Education alone is not sufficient.

Those students who enter upon a course in commercial training do so because they are met with the absolute necessity of earning their own livings. It is not often that those students have as their goal the acquisition of untold wealth. Their major purpose is to make themselves independent of others and to support themselves so that they need not be a burden on society.

It is difficult, if not impossible, to reconcile a liberal education to the everyday task of earning a living. Cultural education, the study of art, music, and the languages, religion, logic, and philosophy, can help only indirectly. These studies are important, but only after one is certain of being fed, clothed, and sheltered, and a pre-requisite to them all is economic independence.

The struggle for economic advancement has features which may place it above the pursuit of the arts. Business is a continuous fight, and the old law of the sur-

#### Liberal Education (Continued)

more and more money, is the group that holds the highest suicide rate, and sends so many of its members to institutions of one kind or another?

It would appear that a commercial education is a one-sided affair that leaves its students with a twisted sense of balance and the inability to adjust themselves to anything but monetary values. When they are called upon in a crisis to depend upon themselves alone without the aid of their property, they are unable to make a decision.

A liberal education, on the other hand, offers more than the opportunity to acquire a skill with which to accumulate wealth. It proposes to instruct individuals to think for themselves, to reason, and to evaluate, not in terms of money alone, but taking into consideration happiness, contentment, fairness, health, and moral standards. It proposes to teach students to be good sports in all things, and to put friendship ahead of dollars.

Money gain is the dominating motive behind the pursuit for commercial knowledge, and it is a poor reward for a life of hard work unless that work is at the same time able to yield those qualities which will remain after the wealth has gone. Neither health, nor friends can be bought, and mental health is even more important than physical health.

Northeastern University proposes to offer specialized commercial training, yet it also presents the opportunity for its students to educate themselves liberally if they so wish. It is, however, up to the individual. The university will furnish the tools; the individual, the materials.

#### Commercial Education (Continued)

vival of the fittest is undeniably active. Reason and independent thinking are of primary importance when one has to match his skill and mentality against others, particularly when his very livelihood depends upon his ability to win.

Clerks, manual laborers, mechanics, and bookkeepers all have the opportunity of making their jobs lend zest to living, but they can do so only when they are willing and able to go one step further and add responsibility and original thinking to their jobs. Training is fundamentally necessary to help anyone out of the inevitable ruts. It is up to all those with keen minds to make the future hold something besides "Yes, sir" jobs.

Between the ages of 20 and 30, when energy and willingness to learn predominate, is the time to train for economic independence. Once that is secured, the desire for culture and a knowledge of the arts may be furthered.

It is not likely that early commercial training will crush all desire for cultural advancement. Ambition and economic superiority are fine ideals, but the fallacy of devoting an entire life to the making of a commercial success has been evidenced too often in the past. There are too many other interests offered for the balanced mind to allow money to become the sole interest.

The very nature of our business world demands the contrast offered by literature, art, and music. Perhaps they can be more fully appreciated when one has an assured position which satisfies his economic needs, and which he attained through his own efforts. After one is economically independent, it is desirable to add an evocation to one's vocation. A balanced program may lead to a full life, with work and pleasure mingled in a proper proportion.

## Teachers Take Oath

A mild ripple of excitement has swept through the schools and populace of our country because the teachers have been required to take an oath of allegiance. The new law dictates just what they are to do and say. Is their freedom of speech being replaced by a series of, "Do this!" and "Don't Do That!" demands?

Teachers in Northeastern complied with the requirements without any comments whether they object to the legislation or not and they have kept silent. No allusion has been made to the subject in any of our classes.

It is a matter of pride with them. They feel that once a law has been passed it must be obeyed unless repealed. Isn't this the doctrine of all true Americans?

Then too they realize that the effect wrought upon the receptive minds they

deal with must always be the best they can produce. Imagine the strength of such a precedent if other laws of like nature are introduced.

However, we can very easily see that they recognize the merits of at least one of the underlying causes for the introduction of the oath. Much as we respect our law makers, we prefer that they do not tell the teachers how or what to think.

If any teacher feels justified in teaching the "isms," of Europe, why not send that teacher into those countries where he may experience living under the heavy hand of those "isms"?

Is it a coincidence that Russia, too, is insisting that all her teachers take the oath of allegiance? Does she desire to prevent some teacher from spreading democratic ideas within her boundaries?

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### ATTENDANCE VS. NIGHTS OFF

Deeply imbedded in the dark recesses of the Northeastern University catalogue is information concerning attendance, vitally important to every student of the school, yet to date only 50 per cent of the student body can repeat all four of its distinct parts.

1. Ye Hairbreadth Harries who pass with the questionable grade of "D" be warned. None of you attending less than 75 per cent of the class sessions will be credited with passing the subject.

2. Ye who demonstrate your annoyance with what ye olde pedagogue says by attending less than 75 per cent of the time, but put in an appearance for more

than 50 per cent of the classes, bring an excuse for 25 per cent of your absences. Ye will be passed, provided the average for the year is a semi-circle or better. If it's worse, \$2 admits ye to a make-up examination, twice as hard as the original.

3. Ye unfortunates who attend less than 50 per cent of the classes, have no hope, until you repeat the course.

4. Ye scholars who continually enter class late, or leave early, are respectively and respectfully reminded that no credit for attendance is given unless ye are there for 75 per cent of the session. Three such partial absences comprise one whole absence.

Yea, and verily.

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Everywhere about the school  
Was writ December 17,  
At nine that night were drawn and  
sketched  
The grandest stuff that we have seen.

For Mr. Parker drew for us.  
He made, indeed, a splendid hit  
In his own way; and too, because  
He's John Doane Churchill's "Uncle  
Pitt."

## THE TIME STUDY MAN ATTENDS CLASS

Mr. I. B. Smtar, standards man for Goofus, Phoney and Goofus, Inc., reads Northeastern catalog. Notes length of course. Decides great inefficiency exists.

Appears at school. Is armed with stopwatch, slide-rule, ream of paper, six pencils, nine-place Log table.

Runs up stairs. Notes time involved. Runs down stairs. Goes up again, three at a time. Notes time. Computes.

$$\frac{PWA}{ERA} \times \frac{33,000}{3 a (xy)} = 1.768 \% \text{ saving.}$$

Returns to ground floor in one leap.

Note: Copy stated name of time study man as Smart—new name stands.—Ed.

Reads bulletins. Eliminates year-old notices, saving 7.496 per cent. Hears bell. Places chair in corridor. Listen to two lectures at once. Computes

$$\frac{(a b) - 2ab}{\frac{y-z-f}{(x y)} 4 yz} = 49.894\% \text{ saved.}$$

Eliminates recess period. Notices six sleeping students. Saving of 13.1313 per cent with sleepy six removed.

Analyzes lectures. Eliminates all sentences beginning "I ———". Saves 99.20 per cent.

Leaves building. Hears loud report. Sees blinding flash. Heads for Northampton. Sings "Who's Afraid—?"

—Ed.

## Foot-Prints---

Northeastern students have little opportunity to meet faculty members, other than their own instructors. To remedy this situation partially, "Nor'easter" purposes to print, from time to time, short sketches about instructors in order that the student body, may know more about them as the human personalities that they are. A few highlights from the life of Stanley Oscar Smith, instructor in Intermediate Accounting, follow:

### A SHORT SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF STANLEY O. SMITH

Born at St. George, Ontario, November 1, 1886.

Graduated from the St. George High School in 1904 and from Hamilton, Ontario, Normal School in 1905.

Taught as my first school an ungraded rural school at Tapleystown, Ontario, for one year and a half. I left there to attend Bay City Michigan Business College, but became sick and returned home and later completed a business college course at Stratford, Ontario. Immediately upon graduation, I began teaching commercial subjects in the Ottawa Business College, Ottawa, Canada (January, 1908). After three and one-half years there I became a teacher at Scranton, Pennsylvania, remained only one year, and connected myself with the Grand Rapids, Michigan, Business Institute. I again stayed only one year and came to Hartford, Connecticut, to teach in the Huntsinger Business School. After four years there, I was engaged to teach penmanship and other

business subjects at the High School of Commerce in Springfield, coming here upon the opening of the new building, our present building. While still a teacher at the High School of Commerce, I began acting as principal of the Evening High School in 1926. In 1928, my daytime work was changed from teaching at the High School of Commerce to acting as principal at the Armory Street School. After three years there, I was moved to the principalship of the new junior high school, the Van Sickle School, and was returned to the High School of Commerce as principal in September, 1933. I continued as principal of the Evening High School until September, 1932.

During the summer vacations, before coming to Hartford, I studied in the Rochester Business Institute, Rochester, N. Y., and in the Zanerian School of Penmanship, Columbus, Ohio. After coming to Springfield, I entered Northeastern University and graduated in 1922 in the first class from the Springfield

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## Why Stick?

About this time of year that perennial question, "Why Stick?" arises. Sometimes it is dismissed with a shrug of the shoulders or one takes a night off from class in a spirit of rebellion. If the reasons for sticking were analyzed and written down, a permanent record would be available when the strong urge arises to throw off the yoke and be content with general puttering around.

Students come to Northeastern because of a desire to improve their stations in life and to prepare for a hopeful future. Many are dissatisfied with their present positions and have been brought to realize that the best way of getting out of the rut is not to trust to the "Lucky Break", but rather to make the break themselves. It is primarily this urge that keeps them going because mankind is blessed, or cursed, if you will, with a restless ambition that is found in the successful business man.

Few attend school because of a sole interest in law, science, or accounting, although such interest is necessary for complete success. Rather they are striving for some degree of monetary gain in the future and for a position that will use every bit of intelligence and all the faculties that one possesses. The sweetest satisfaction to a true worker is the knowledge of a job well done, and true contentment and leisure come only after energies have been exhausted by a full day's enjoyable work.

It might be argued that many people who make no particular effort during their lifetime to study, but content themselves with turning out steady and creditable work each day and use, through sheer weight of years' service and accumulated knowledge, the least that is in them get just as far in life as the plugging student. All honor to those who can rise in business through this slow process, but the days of rising from the ranks are slipping into the past, and business has become too much a science to be ignored. No longer are leaders picked solely because of experience. Education and training are becoming rapidly more important.

Suppose for a minute that school ended tomorrow forever and that no longer could you study. Just exactly what would you do to fill in the time vacated by study and lectures? Naturally, you could re-

turn to the crowd and join in its activities, and you could drift along in your old job doing nothing in particular for yourself or anyone else, and lead the commonplace, drab existence that seems to be the fate of so many. Would that do? Or would that inborn restlessness and desire for training and knowledge creep in demanding an outlet and insisting that Northeastern return as a necessary part of your life?

Even if the true reward of monetary gain is denied, the broadening of life through association with business subjects will provide an intelligent interest in modern government and business, which may lead to a share in that government or a proper share in the business world. It is only too true that ignorance always has narrowed one's life to immediate interests. Those who are educated are enabled to rise above petty trivialities and see life with an eye that will enable them to understand and adjust their own lives to the vicissitudes and apparently cruel twists that fate deals so off-handedly, and which break so many unprepared hearts.

Knowledge is power, and knowledge is also happiness. So much in life passes by so many people simply because it is beyond their understanding, and they lack the training and habit that will force their curiosity to be satisfied. Northeastern students have that training.

So the next time that desire to toss the books over the bridge occurs, stop and figure all the gain in knowledge you have already received, the broadened scope of economic training, the possible prestige attached to evening university students among outsiders, and the emptiness of existence without an education. Victor Hugo wrote in "Les Miserable," "God has stamped indelibly on the forehead of every man one word—Hope." Can that hope be nurtured to a successful conclusion?



## A Statement

Mr. Russel T. Sparks of Harvard University in a recent address to the eastern division of college deans attacked one of the principles of Northeastern University by stating: "It is no longer practical for a student to work his way through college."

He not only attacks the principles of Northeastern University but inadvertently he condemns one of the very maxims on which Harvard University was founded. Rev. John Harvard, in his will ordered that all comers, rich or poor, white or colored, free or slave may enjoy the possibilities and privileges that his 1779 donation could render.

"For we must have students of quality," continues Mr. Sparks. We have no doubt that Mr. Sparks was inspired to these remarks by the ever-growing demand of common people for an education of college standards. This condition might be attributed to the high standards of education now prevailing in modern high schools and the single degrading monotonous

task calmly accepted by our parents of past generations. Nevertheless, neither Mr. Sparks' remarks or attempts by so-called distinguished colleges to shut out the working men and women can ever be successful. They could only be successful with a nation whose people were kept in ignorance and limited in education to our grammar school equivalents. If day colleges attempt to shut out the working student, schools built on the same ideals and organization as Northeastern will receive an impetus in proportion. We may be sure that there are enough philanthropic gentlemen and institutions that will see the necessity of continuing the education of those people who are worthy of the opportunity of the proper intelligence, but limited by the economic necessity of earning a living.

Meanwhile it is up to the students of Northeastern to be ready to resist any attempts by misguided people to deny working men and women the right to a higher education.

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### STANLEY O. SMITH

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Division, and in the fall of that year I passed the C. P. A. examination. Beginning in 1923, I attended Harvard Summer School of Education and received the degree, Master of Education, in 1932, my summer school work being somewhat broken by other vacation plans.

As a student of Northeastern at Springfield, I enjoyed very greatly the contacts of fellow students from other channels of employment. I found them keen, hard working, and ambitious, and their presence in the classes added very greatly to the value of my courses. Since graduating from Northeastern it has been a pleasure to be a teacher of some of these groups. A teacher can scarcely ask more than to have the kind of young men and women that attend Northeastern. They believe in themselves. They believe that

merit will bring success and they are willing to spend many nights in preparing themselves for better things. It is a joy to work with them and for them.  
December 4, 1935.

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### SORORITIES AND FRATERNITIES

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is placed in the Delta plaque, located on the wall opposite the front entrance to the bookstore. Three of the chapter's own members have succeeded in winning this award.

Delta Chapter sponsors both formal and informal dances, snow parties, sleigh rides, banquets, friendly get-togethers as well as its regular business meetings and initiations.

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Won't someone stifle the yawn in the seat behind? It discourages ours before we have a chance to try it.

### SPONSORED OPPORTUNITY

The Y. M. C. A. long ago  
 Heard that people like to know  
 Of what goes on both here and there  
 And who's the man who did what, where.  
 And so each year they ask to come  
 To Springfield's auditorium  
 Lecturers from far and wide  
 Especially diversified.  
 Some tell of what we've just been through  
 And others, what we ought to do.  
 This year, as every year, they got  
 A very entertaining lot.  
 Especially you should have heard  
 About the cold from Dickie Byrd,  
 Who went down South again to see  
 The Antarctic for you and me.  
 He says he found new mountain peaks,  
 A frozen lake, and other freaks.  
 He's even put it in a book—  
**Discovery.**  
 It's worth a look.  
 Doctor Osgood pictured men  
 From Ethiopia, and then  
 Another week J. Bryan told  
 About the Russians, new and old.  
 Upton Close, who makes one mad  
 Proclaims the good old world as bad.  
 "Movies of the Universe,"  
 Made one gasp, and what is worse,  
 Made man shrink and become more  
 Unimportant than before.  
 Irving Fisher did his best  
 To give to economics zest.  
 "Labor's Fight for Power" was next  
 And then a panel used the text,  
 "What is Wrong With Gambling?"  
 Every year two choirs sing  
 "The Messiah." Last there comes,  
 With everything from fifes to drums,  
 The Cleveland orchestra who find  
 That Springfield's musically inclined,  
 For everybody has to go  
 To hear them bang and saw and blow.

## Sports Page

### OUR OWN ALL-AMERICANS

Springfield Northeastern is not lacking in athletic contests. Even champions have been forthcoming from time to time. However, our sports differ somewhat from those of the average college.

First we have the "Parking Game." This consists of driving frenziedly from home to the vicinity of Chestnut Street, discovering a parking place, and getting into it. Five points are scored for fitting into spaces two feet too short, and two points are added for each dent put in adjacent fenders. Rudy Zboneak, in his "galloping ghost flivver" is selected for champion.

Then the "Beat the Bell Race" is called. The object of this death-defying sport is to arrive just as the bell rings. When it is necessary to obtain partial absence slips, three points go to the wearer of a non-chalant smile. Competition is keen in this event, Ernie Barbier can be classed with the best of the contenders.

"Wrestling With the Studies" is an endurance contest requiring brains, skill, perserverance, and general ability. Five and a half years of mauling the toughest opposition into submission gives Dot Shee-

han her All-American letter.

Probably the most popular pastime for all concerned is "Exhaling Hot Air," sometimes called "Sliding Out From Under." Competition is keenest between students and instructors. This is a sample play involved: Instructor notices far-away expression in eye of student. Springs question. Student blinks. Clears throat. Says, "Well, yes, I think so; but in some cases, no; and then again take for example—" Continues for 10 minutes. Instructor says "Excellent." Marks down "C." Instructor cannot be outdone. Begins: "The effect of the advance in price of grand pianos in China on the cost of arsenic in Bangor. Well. If the advance indicated a general uptrend it would go down later. Er—". Bell rings.

Everyone has equal chance of winning in the "Kicking at Marks" event. At 8:59 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  one dozen students lean forward. When the bell rings, they make a concerted rush for the instructor. Eloquently, they plead. "Why did I get only "C—", when I should have had "C"?"

Springfield Northeastern feels qualified to compete with any university offering the same sports.

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### THE RIDE OF LOUIS (PAUL REVERE) PASSERINI

We have among our students, many who come from neighboring towns. Perhaps the most noteworthy traveler is Louis Passerini, a bookkeeper in Hartford.

He rides to Springfield on a bicycle.

He leaves home about 5 o'clock, and makes the trip in about an hour and a half. He does this three nights a week.

The bike is a French road-racer, called "LeChemineau," which strangely enough

means "The Hiker." It is equipped with generator lights, brakes on both wheels, and has very small tires. There is no coaster-brake, the driving sprocket being in constant motion.

Louis travels 28 miles each way. This amounts to 5,376 miles during the school year.

He says the ride does not tire him. In his own words, "It builds you up as it wears you down." Nevertheless, this output of energy to secure an education certainly requires a lot of push.

ANY NIGHT AT NORTHEASTERN

6:50—Doors constantly in motion—corridors filling up rapidly with hurrying students . . . last-minute rush for supplies in store room . . . teachers darting into the office for mail . . . bulletin board eagerly scanned for something new . . . dressing rooms where one can talk above a whisper . . . a merry meeting place . . . friendly nods . . . congenial smiles . . . encouraging light conversation . . . stairs crowded.

6:55—Sharp ringing of bell . . . wild scramble out of wraps . . . breathless running up the stairs . . . mad rush through corridors . . . safe at last into the classroom just as sessions begin—7:00 P. M.

Business . . . Law . . . Science . . . written homework quickly passed up . . . last-minute peering into books . . . classes settle down for evening's work . . . recitations . . . lectures . . . lectures . . . writing . . . drawing . . . all different . . . yet all producing the same results.

Business students . . . alert . . . eager . . . minds training to observe keenly . . . think instantly . . . perceive quickly . . . Esthetic law scholars . . . serious . . . dignified . . . ready to propound some staid theory so sincerely as to convince the skeptical listeners . . . would-be Engineers delving into the mysterious intricacies of mechanical drawings . . . where objects are made to revolve on their axis . . . utterly foreign to all but the initiated . . . Psychology . . . training of the mind . . . complexes made or broken . . . Seeking . . . striving . . . studying . . . many fields . . . various subjects . . . but all leading to the same end . . . knowledge . . . assurance . . . ability.

PROTEST

By the time anyone has attended Northeastern for a year, it is quite evident to him that the last half hour of class is the time when fatigue, dullness, and day-dreaming become strongest. Consequently, it is with a sense of chagrin and dis-

may that he watches some instructors lecture and discuss an assignment for the first hour (sometimes even an hour and a half), and then announce a test. The attempt to conjure up last night's review during that last hour is a herculean task. Why do instructors do this? Unless there are rules and schedules involved, why can tests not be given during the first hour? Then the students can settle back comfortably and actually listen to what the instructor says during the rest of the class period.

A LETTER TO OUR READERS

Dear Reader:—

The following is astonishing but nevertheless true:

Population of the U. S. by latest census .....	124,000,000
Eligible to benefits of the Townsend Plan .....	30,000,000
	94,000,000
Government employees, National, State and local .....	20,000,000
	74,000,000
Ineligible, due to Child Labor Laws .....	60,000,000
	14,000,000
Today's Unemployed .....	13,999,997
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As you may easily see, this leaves three people to carry on American Civilization—one to assemble; the publisher to print; and you to criticize—the NOR'EASTER.

Note: Apologies are offered to all the magazines, programs, newspapers, candies, cigars, cigarettes and chewing gum users who thought they thought of this first. It originated here but copy has been kicking around editor's file for so long that it still is "twice as rich as ever before."—Ed.

# An Invitation

It is the desire of The Nor'easter that the entire student body participate in and contribute. This is your means of expression and not the property of a restricted group.

Almost everyone has had the urge to express himself and his thought in words, and has wished for the satisfaction of seeing his work in print. With the training at Northeastern, all of you can write and most of you have the ability to think originally. The Nor'easter wants those thoughts and writings of yours for publication.

Choose your own subject. Articles between 60 and 400 words are the most desirable. Any material left at the office marked for The Nor'easter will be gladly accepted as evidence of real interest in The Nor'easter. You may sign your name or not, as you choose.

Those of you who would care to become affiliated with the editorial board are cordially invited to attend any Monday night session at 9:10. Mr. Torrey, or any of the present staff, will tell you where that evening's meeting will be held. If you are of a sensitive nature, be duly warnd. The discussions are heated, and opinions are given frankly, regardless of personal feelings.

Perhaps you have suggestions and criticisms. The following ballot is for your convenience if you are pressed for time. Your vote is eagerly awaited.

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tear off

How often shall The Nor'easter be issued? .....

What kind of material do you like best? .....

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Shall we publish the results of interviews with some of Springfield's celebrities?

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Do you want to know who writes each article? .....

Would you like a magazine with definite departments? .....

What departments would you like? .....

Would you like each issue written about a separate theme? .....

Suggestions for future issues: .....

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# NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

## Commencement Week

June 7th - June 11th, 1936



### Sunday, June 7th

*The Baccalaureate Service and Address*  
by John Harrison Nolan, A. M., D. D.,  
Episcopal City Missionary, at the First  
Church, Court Square Avenue at  
Court and Elm Streets, at 3:30 P. M.

### Monday, June 8th

*The Class Day Exercises and Banquet of*  
the Class of 1936 at the Hotel Bridg-  
way, 50 Broadway, at 7:00 P. M.

*The Class of 1926 Reunion Dinner at the*  
University, 114 Chestnut Street, at  
6:30 P. M.

### Wednesday, June 10th

*The Commencement Exercises and Ad-*  
dress by Professor Fred Winslow  
Adams, D. D., Boston University, at  
the First Church, Court Square Ave-  
nue at Court and Elm Streets, at  
8:00 P. M.

### Thursday, June 11th

*The Alumni Reunion Dinner and Dance*  
at Casa Breglio, 353 Dwight Street, at  
6:30 P. M.

*The Annual Business Meeting of the*  
Alumni Association follows the Re-  
union Dinner.



## Thumbnail Sketches

### Class of Nineteen Thirty-Six — Springfield Northeastern

**William J. Bailey** of 94 Wellington Street, this city, is a graduate of the High School of Commerce. He is specializing in Law, and liked practically every course. Mr. Bailey is a member of the class day committee. He is employed in the law office of Patrick E. Granfield. He was treasurer to the Law Division in 1933 and 1934.

**Maxwell B. Bogardus** of 349 State Street, this city, is a graduate of the Pelham Memorial High School. He attended the Lawrenceville School, is a graduate of Amherst College, and attended Harvard University. He is specializing in Law. The courses which he has liked the best have been Corporations and Wills. Mr. Bogardus was vice-president of the Law Division of the class of 1936 during 1933 and 1934.

Received a provisional commencement appointment on the basis of scholarship. Subject of paper: "Corporate Assets as a Trust Fund for Creditors."

**Mr. Tullio A. Francesconi** of 26 Wendell Place, this city, is a graduate of the Technical High School. He is specializing in Law. The course he liked best was Corporations. Mr. Francesconi is employed by the Asinof & Sons Manufacturing Company.

**John J. Falvey** of 662 South Bridge Street, Holyoke, Mass., is a graduate of the Holyoke High School. The subject he liked the most was Mass. Practice. He is a Representative of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

**Mrs. Grace L. M. Gainley** of 17 Shepard Street, West Springfield, Mass., is a graduate of the Central High School. She is specializing in Law, and is employed as assistant law librarian at the Hampden County Law Library.

**Richard B. Hodskins** of 131 Sumner Avenue, this city, is a graduate of the Classical High School and Williams College. He is specializing in Law. The courses which he has liked the best have been Trusts, Constitutional Law, Pleading, and Personal Property. Mr. Hodskins was class president of the Law Division and a member of the undergraduate commencement committee in 1935. He is employed in the claim department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Received a provisional commencement appointment on the basis of scholarship. Subject of paper: "Inns of Court."

**Edward H. Kane** of 13 Bristol Street, Ludlow, Mass., is a graduate of the Ludlow High School. He is specializing in Law. The courses which he has liked the best have been Contracts, Trusts, and Constitutional Law. Mr. Kane is employed by the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates. Secretary to the Law Division in 1933 and 1934.

**Miss Grace F. Lyons** of 100 Green Lane, this city, is a graduate of the Central High School. She attended Bay Path Institute. She is specializing in Law, and is employed as a law clerk at the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

**Miss Mary Noble** of 21 Noble Street, Westfield, Mass., is a graduate of Westfield High School. She received the degree of bachelor of arts and master of arts from Bryn Mawr College, Magnum Cum Laude. She also received the degree of doctor of philosophy from Yale University, and she has studied at the Sorbonne and the College de France. During 1925 and 1926 she was European Fellow of the Amer-

ican Association of University Women. During 1928 and 1929 she was instructor of Spanish at the New Jersey College for Women, New Brunswick, N. J. Miss Noble is specializing in Law.

Received a provisional commencement appointment on the basis of scholarship. Subject of paper: "**Vestiges of Feudalism in the New World.**"

**Norman L. Stepno** of 9 Plymouth Place, Holyoke, Mass., is a graduate of the Holyoke High School. He is specializing in Law and was interested in practically every course. Mr. Stepno was a member of the undergraduate commencement committee in 1935 and is a member of the 1936 class day committee.

**Herbert H. Farr** of 4 Federal Court, Springfield, Mass., is a graduate of the Somerville High School and has attended the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance. He is employed with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company as Revenue Accountant.

**Harold J. Farrell** of 1 Winchester Avenue, Holyoke, Mass., is a graduate of the Holyoke High School. He is specializing in accounting. Mr. Farrell is supervisor of service and production of the syndicate division of the White & Wyckoff Manufacturing Company and conducts a public accounting and tax service.

Received a provisional commencement appointment on the basis of scholarship. Subject of paper: "**Machines and Employment.**"

**John Johnston** of 20 Pease Street, Thompsonville, Conn., is a graduate of the Enfield High School, Enfield, Conn. He is specializing in accounting. The courses which he has liked the best have been Business Law and Business English. He is a member of the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity. Mr. Johnston is cost clerk at the International Casket Hardware Company.

**Samuel Meyers** of 2839 Main Street, Springfield, Mass., is a graduate of the High School of Commerce. The course which he liked the best was Fundamentals of Business Management. He is connected with the sales department of the Package Machinery Company, and in February of this year he was transferred to the Gummed and Coated Paper Company of Nashua, N. H.

**William Minkley** of 1781 Northampton Street, Holyoke, Mass., is a graduate of the Holyoke High School. He is specializing in Accounting. Mr. Minkley is employed in the accounting department of the Holyoke Company, Inc.

**Miss Dorothy F. Sheehan** of 85 Braddock Street, this city, is a graduate of the High School of Commerce. She is specializing in Accounting. The courses in Accounting, Salesmanship, and Statistics have appealed to her most. She is a member of the Sigma Nu Epsilon sorority, serving as its president in 1933 and 1934, member of the undergraduate commencement committee in 1934 and 1935, and secretary of the class of 1936 since 1930. Miss Sheehan is secretary to the general manager of the Springfield Wire & Tinsel Company, also a member of the student council.

Received a provisional commencement appointment on the basis of scholarship. Subject of paper: "**Women in Business.**"

**Robert S. Starr, Jr.**, of South Windsor, Conn., is a graduate of the Hartford High School. He has attended the Oxford School of Business Administration, an extension department of Harvard University.

**F. William Chapman** of 31 Suffolk Street, this city, is a graduate of the Technical High School. He is specializing in business administration. The courses which

he has liked the best have been Government Controls in Business, Advertising, and Business Law. He is a member of the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity and vice-president of the class of 1936, and a former member of the student council and still is. Mr. Chapman is employed in the bookkeeping department of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

**L. Melvin Gendreau** of 87 Union Street, Westfield, Mass., is a graduate of Westfield High School. He is specializing in business administration. The courses which he has liked the best have been Business Law, Government and Business, and Management. Mr. Gendreau is employed by the Westfield Savings Bank where he is engaged in real estate research.

Received a provisional commencement appointment on the basis of scholarship. Subject of paper: "Air Conditioning."

**John F. Greene** of 4 Kings Highway, West Springfield, Mass., is a graduate of Cathedral High School. He is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity and is proprietor of the Pioneer Dairy School.

**Mr. Irving T. Willard** of 54 Lyndale Street, this city, is a graduate of the West Springfield High School and American Institute of Banking. He is specializing in business Administration. The courses which he has liked the best have been Distribution, Economics, and Management. He is a member of the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity. Mr. Willard is employed by the Springfield National Bank & Trust Company.

**Raymond L. W. Benoit** of 456 Springfield Street, graduated from the Chicopee High School and attended summer sessions of the Fitchburg State Teachers College. He is specializing in engineering and business and is particularly interested in mathematics. Mr. Benoit is president of the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity, vice-president of the student council, treasurer of the class of 1936, and chairman of the programs for the Springfield Applied Science Society. Mr. Benoit is a golf technician at A. G. Spalding & Bros.

**Arthur A. Copp** of 126 Amherst Street, this city, is a graduate of Bridgewater High School and attended Wentworth Institute. He is specializing in engineering and business. The courses which he has liked the best have been Physics, Mechanics, Strength of Materials, and Algebra. He is a member of the student council. Mr. Copp is a foreman at the Moore Drop Forging Company.

**Frank Hawley** of 20 Bryant Street, this city, is a graduate of the Belle Vue High School, Bradford, England, and the Technical Evening High School. He is specializing in engineering and business. The courses which he has liked the best have been Government and Business, and Business Administration Seminar. He is a member of the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity and served as treasurer for two years. Mr. Hawley is a tool maker at the Gilbert & Barker Manufacturing Company. He is a brother of Eva Hawley, Northeastern, 1932.

**Harold Mosedale, Jr.**, of 127 Draper Street, this city, is a graduate of the Technical High School. He is specializing in engineering and business. The course which he liked the best was Machine Design. He is a member of the Pi Tau Kappa and student council, and president of the class of 1936. Mr. Mosedale is a draftsman at the Package Machinery Company.

## DEGREES

All college students glibly rattle off the degrees they hope to attain at some future date. But instead of using the rather formal title in its entirety they are content with substituting merely the abbreviations. Now that the degrees are about to be conferred it would be well to re-state them.

At Northeastern are offered the following degrees: B. B. A.—Bachelor of Business Administration. B. C. S.—Bachelor of Commercial Science. L. L. B.—Legum Baccalaureus or the more commonly known Bachelor of Laws. Students who attain an average of ninety-two per cent or better will be recommended for the degree, *Magnum Cum Laude*.

A combined Law and Business program is offered by the University which provides a sound and basic knowledge of those principles of law and business necessary for success in industry. Those completing this six-year course receive a B. B. A. degree and may continue their study in the School of Law for two more years to receive an L. L. B.

The B. B. A. degree may be acquired in the School of Business in a straight six-year program specializing in Marketing, Finance and Management. This program provides a student with a broad general background of principles of business so that he can readily adapt himself to new situations.

Students of Accounting may specialize in subjects preparing them to take the examination for a Certified Public Accountant (C. P. A.) or to carry on work of major responsibility in commercial accounting with public or private businesses. He receives a thorough training in being able to adapt himself to the rapidly changing conditions of modern business methods. A four-year course leads to a certificate of proficiency. An additional two years will not only fit the student to resume responsibility outside the accounting field, but give him a basic knowledge of understanding business at large and

## WE DINE — WE DANCE

We doff our hats in tribute to Chairman W. Edwin Watkins and his committee for the grand party which they staged at the Hotel Kimball on a certain evening in April, not too long ago for the memory to linger pleasantly.

The party was none other than the annual banquet and dance of Springfield Northeastern. Mr. Watkins' able assistants were Miss Mayre Coulter, Miss Sheehan, Mr. Raymond Burati and Mr. Eugene Riley and the members of the Student Council.

Gracing the head table were Dean and Mrs. Guy D. Miller, Dean and Mrs. Horace J. Rice, Director and Mrs. John D. Churchill and Mr. Harley Goodrich and Mr. Ray Benoit. Eddie Abrahamson and his orchestra played for the dancing.

It is generally conceded that this evening was a social success. For 17 years the Annual Banquet and Dance has provided a yearly social meeting for Springfield Northeastern students and friends. This year's attendance was the largest in our history, exactly 200 people.

To you who enjoyed this evening, we need not describe the delicious fried chicken, with the fixings. And the floor, and the orchestra, and —, and —, the ladies. Your own memory will serve to remind you to join with us next year.

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lead to a B. B. A. degree.

The L. L. B. degree is conferred upon the student completing the required five years' attendance. The policy of the School of Law assures the efficiency of its work in preparing men and women for admission to the bar and for the practice of law.

The newest Northeastern Curriculum in Applied Science leads to a B. C. S. degree. It is not only well balanced, but one of the few sound evening degree programs of technical study in America. Its graduates have a knowledge of industrial and executive problems and a command of essential engineering data.



# Applied Science

## ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF SPRINGFIELD NORTHEASTERN

As great oaks from little acorns grow, so too are great movements produced from the seed of thought. Such a seed was planted in the minds of certain students of Applied Science some years ago. Today that seed has blossomed forth in the form of the "Engineering Society of Springfield Northeastern."

As the great oak needed the help of sunshine and gentle rains that it might grow to maturity, so shall this great movement need the assistance and encouragement of the Faculty, the Applied Science group, and the Student Body as a whole that it may attain the proportions for which the originators have worked and hoped.

After many months of careful study, the originators of this movement found the following conditions existed:

Springfield Northeastern was producing students in the field of Science and Business, second to none, but, whose aptitudes were literally "buried beneath a bushel" because of their inability to make the proper contacts in the Science field upon the completion of their studies.

It was also found that within the various classes at Springfield Northeastern practically every major industry in the vicinity of Springfield is represented. It was only natural to conclude that, with the co-operation of our members in these various industries, and through the medium of our Employment Bureau, to make, for students, those contacts which might otherwise be impossible. It is the aim of the Engineering Society to make this Employment Bureau known throughout the field of industry as one which supplies men of only the highest type.

Another purpose for which the Engineering Society was organized is to form a closer relationship between the students of the Applied Science course. It was found

that because of a diversity of classes, many students of the course were unable to become acquainted until their junior or senior years. With the advent of this Society it became possible to bring together all students of the Science Course for a common purpose.

To stimulate this purpose, a Program Committee, under the supervision of an elected Chairman, has assumed the duties of promoting all activities of the Society. These activities are in the form of securing for each meeting well known authorities to lecture on technical subjects in which the students are interested. In this way the students are brought in close proximity with the practical side of the theoretical problems they have been studying. Through the medium of these lectures, it is expected to bring before the student body the very latest developments in the field of engineering. Therefore, to all undergraduates these meetings should prove to be advantageous by supplying ideas and valuable information which should be helpful in the subsequent construction of their various theses.

Since we are living in what is known as the "mechanical age" any changes in the technical field have a direct influence on all types of business, and the activities of this Society are of interest to students of all courses. The Engineering Society extends to the Faculty and the entire Student Body a standing invitation to attend any or all of its lectures.

Most of the speakers will be men of influence in the business world.

The Engineering Society of Springfield Northeastern is today a fast growing organization, growing in interest and growing in size. To continue its growth, every student of Springfield Northeastern is the necessary stimulus. The extension of its growth is within your power.

## Standardization

A word heard many times in recent years. A word which we shall hear more often in the years to come.

There are many phases of standardization applicable to the machine trade, but the writer wishes to call attention to but four of them.

During the rush of manufacturing caused by the World War, the attention of the shop man was brought to focus on the screw thread. Many difficulties were being experienced in the effort to make screws fit tapped holes in the desired manner. Taps were made by one concern and the threaded components by another. At assembly time trouble would begin, for the screw would often fit either too loose or too tight. A great amount of money and time were spent in re-threading the screws in order to secure the proper fit.

This difficulty has been overcome by the establishment of the American National Standard Screw Thread. In this system four general classes of fits are listed. Loose Fit (class 1), Free Fit (class 2), Medium Fit (class 3), and Close Fit (class 4).

A desirable innovation brought out by this standard is the establishment of the 8-Pitch Thread Series, the 12-Pitch Thread Series and the 16-Pitch Thread Series. The designer is helped materially by these three series. By their use many odd or mongrel size threads can be eliminated. Taps and dies made according to this system can be stamped as standard and used not only for the particular job that they are made for but also for some future job.

Another noteworthy advancement was the establishment of the standard known as "Wrench Head Bolts and Nuts and Wrench Openings." Large assortments of wrenches are now no longer necessary. A few standard wrenches will fit all standard screw heads. Those of you who have had experience on the job appreciate the value of this standard.

Again we have the standard known

as "Tolerances, Allowances and Gages for Metal Fits." This standard helps to clarify any misconception that may exist between the designer and the mechanic as to what allowance constitutes a slide fit, a running fit or a press fit. In this system eight classes of fits are provided, ranging from the Loose Fit (class 1), Large Allowance to Heavy Force and Shrink Fit (class 8)—Considerable Negative Allowance. Classes 1 to 5 are used for interchangeable manufacturing while classes 6 to 9 are used for selective assembly.

One of the latest standards issued, "Drawings and Drafting Room Practice" should do much to reduce argument and misunderstanding in the drafting room. A recent drafting survey of the Detroit area shows the need of this standard. Few draftsmen agree on any one method or convention. Each has his own pet ideas or theories. The up-to-date draftsman and the modern shop man will soon reap the benefits which may be derived by the use of this standard, and its universal use and acceptance is recommended.

For those who may be interested in securing copies of the standards listed in this article the following information is presented:

Screw Threads—ASA B1.1—1935.

Wrench Head Bolts and Nuts and Wrench Openings—ASA B18.2—1933.

Tolerances, Allowances and Gages for Metal Fits—ASA B4a—1925.

Drawings and Drafting Room Practice.—ASA Z14.1—1935.

American Standards Association, 29 West 39th Street, New York City.

Standardization when well planned can do much toward reducing the cost of production and design and toward eliminating duplication. A great deal of time is lost each year in the attempt to duplicate small special parts. Parts which give out or break must be replaced. But how such a replacement part may be found is the question. One has the choice of

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## The Art of Rifle Shooting

In a corner of my room, complete with scope and sling, stands a .22 calibre rifle. It isn't an expensive gun, as rifles go, for with its present equipment it cost less than twenty dollars. It hasn't the extreme accuracy of a Ballard barrel, nor the exquisite workmanship of a costly target gun, but for several years it has been the source of much pleasure on Saturday afternoon excursions to the sand pit that serves the gunners of the district as a rifle range.

The small-calibre rifle is not, of course, a new development in the field of armament, but has been developed during the last few years into a weapon to be respected. Our grandfathers spoke of it, with a mixture of respect and derision, as a "squirrel gun". Even then, its suitability for small game hunting and its economical loads made it a favorite with the youths. Many a small-bore traveled West with the Covered Wagons, and more than one Indian entered the "happy hunting grounds" at its sharp, whip-like crack.

But the days of the Wild West and the days of abundant game in the East have passed. There are left to us today only the target ranges. The art of shooting hasn't degenerated, however, for even with telescope sights it is still as difficult to hit a two-inch bull's-eye at one hundred yards as it was to hit the head of a gray squirrel at twenty-five.

Suppose, for instance, that you go with me to the rifle butts tomorrow afternoon. We'll set a target, retire to the hummock that marks the hundred-yard range, and let you try. It isn't hard, you see. All you do is hold steady, aim, and fire. There she goes. No, the shot didn't hit the target. It was six inches over and to the

right. Why? Well, there were several things you did wrong. Your feet weren't far enough apart, nor was the left one advanced; you breathed as you fired; the muzzle moved to the right; and you pulled the trigger. Yes, I know the barrel is heavy. That's why you stand with your feet apart, with one ahead of the other; why you pull the loop of the sling over the biceps of your left arm and tighten the follower on the strap as much as you can. Also, one of the peculiarities of a telescope sight is that it makes the target look four times as large—and magnifies every tremor of your arm muscles and every beat of your heart just that much, too, so that, in offhand shooting, you discharge your gun as the cross-hairs of the 'scope hover for an instant over the bull's-eye. Last, and most important, you never pull the trigger—you always squeeze the stock. You needn't fear the recoil of this gun. The load is so light and the bullet so small that there isn't any noticeable "kick". It isn't like that Sharps 45-70 carbine I showed you before we came. That rifle throws a conical lead slug weighing an ounce, propelled by seventy grains of black powder.

I'll never forget the day, about ten years ago, when my cousin and I screwed up enough courage to shoot that piece. We scraped out twenty years' accumulation of rust from the bore, selected two cartridges from the few remaining, walked up here to the pit, and tossed up a coin. The doubtful honor of the first shot fell to me, so I shoved the shell into the breach, aimed at a white rock, tripped the hammer, and an earthquake started in my

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## THE ART OF RIFLE SHOOTING

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right shoulder and shook me all the way down to my heels. That black powder is slow-burning. The stock doesn't slam back into your shoulder as it does from the explosion of smokeless powder, but each grain produces a shock all its own. My cousin was game, though. He shook and quivered from the second discharge. In fact, you could almost hear his teeth rattle.

But now that I've finished loading this clip, try again. Use the seven shots to get the "feel" of the gun. Then we'll try a clip or two from prone position, another sitting, and a third kneeling—all rest positions that will take the weight of the barrel from your arm and steady your aim. In between shots you can learn how to adjust the 'scope for elevation and windage. Accurate shooting, you know, is like solving a problem in physics, although much more pleasurable. What you are trying to do is to force an object to take the shortest path between two points. But your factors are mainly variables. For instance, the flight of the bullet is never in a straight line, except at the shortest ranges, but is always in a slight parabola due to the effect of gravity. Therefore, you need to allow for "drop," and this varies with the range. Again, the pressure of the exploding powder differs somewhat from load to load, not only because of slight variations in powder mixture and strength but because of small differences in the weight of each bullet and the fit of one slug in the barrel. Third, a cross-wind, even a slight breeze, will cause the pellet to drift to right or left. Finally, there is that great group of variables, the muscular and nervous reflexes of the human body. Only the position of the target is fixed.

But if you derive a certain satisfaction from pitting your intelligence and skill against the unpredictable results of explosive forces, then the cost is small, for rifle, telescope sight, and sling are only \$16.85 and shells are half a cent apiece.

## MECHANICS—

### THE STUDENT — THE ENGINEER

From the standpoint of direct application, practicability and usefulness, Mechanics is an outstanding (if not the outstanding) course in the curriculum of the applied science student. After he has struggled and fought his way through such seemingly insurmountable obstacles as "Trigonometry," "College Algebra," "Physics," "Analytical Geometry" and last but by no means least "Calculus," he finally arrives at the portals of Mechanics.

Here is where he marshalls together his past studies for concrete and tangible use. At this point he cannot voice that common plaint "where will I ever use this stuff." Force and motion, the backbone of Mechanics are explained, illustrated and applied directly to structures such as dams, bridges, etc., and various types of machines. Regardless of what branch of engineering the student is associated with at present or in the future, Mechanics will invariably be applicable to the solution of his problems. In the design of any kind of structure or industrial product safety, utility and economy are assured only through careful analysis of the forces involved and the motions to be expected. The student entering a Mechanics class therefore is not justified in regarding the course as his Nemesis. He should rather think of it as he does the conclusion of a good detective or mystery story. The entire panorama lies unfolded before his eyes; an ever-widening field opens up before him.

The subject serves as a stepping stone to new fields of specialized concentration. With it as a background such specialized courses as "Strength of Materials," "Machine Design," "Thermodynamics," etc., can be readily digested. As a municipal power plant supplies illumination to surrounding dwellings so also does Mechanics supply the necessary power to throw the light of intelligence on future studies.



## NORMANDIE VS. QUEEN MARY

This coming summer we will see the new Cunard liner "Queen Mary" attempt to recapture for England the record for the Aatlantic crossing now held by the Normandie. This will be of great interest to the scientifically inclined, as the two vessels have several distinct contrasts.

The Normandie is eleven feet longer than the Queen Mary. It is driven by four electric motors of 40,000 horsepower each. Her engineers claim that these will develop more power than can be used. If the speed were pushed to its maximum, they fear the resulting pressure of water on the hull would damage it. The bow is semi-bulbous, curving into a whale-back deck, which curves away to a step-down stern. This is a new contour approaching stream-lining. The stacks are short and wide.

The Queen Mary is very similar to other Cunard vessels in exterior appearance. Her funnels are set high and are very tall. She is powered by Parsons turbines expected to develop nearly 200,000 horsepower. This is considerably higher than that of the Normandie, and we do not hear the British saying anything about pushing in the hull at high speed. The Queen Mary is equipped with the largest propellers ever fitted to a vessel. The British expect that before she is placed in service the Normandie may have established a record of better than 32 knots. They are prepared to "shoot the works" to beat its record. It would seem that they may do it when we consider the Mauretania, built by the same concern 'way back in 1907. On her last cruise before being scrapped last year, she held a speed of 32 knots for four hours.

Nothing has been spared to make the Queen Mary the winner. The record holder skims the cream of the trans-Atlantic traffic. If these ships can cross regularly in 100 hours, it will require only

## JOINT FACULTY MEETING

The Joint Faculty Meeting and Dinner brought out not only the majority of the faculty, old Boston friends in the persons of Dr. Churchill and Deans Skolfield and Whitney, but facts that were not so easily digested as the dinner preceding them. They were facts that needed the reflection and attention paid them by the alphabetical list of faculty members from Armstrong to Yerrall, inclusive.

Dr. Churchill in speaking of "the cultural stream of higher education" stressed Northeastern's opportunity for service to a definite high school group and why it has gained for itself a following among that group. His points made in connection with successful teaching are worthy of re-statement.

1. Teach to students rather than to subjects.
2. Teach toward the learning which the student should do.
3. Teach more to the difficulties which students have.
4. Try to individualize your instruction, particularly in smaller classes.

The group then split up into two sections, the School of Business faculty remaining with Dean Whitney, the School of Law faculty adjourning to another room with Dean Skolfield.

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two ships to maintain weekly service. Three are now required. This is the reason for their speed and size. They are really the smallest and slowest ships that can maintain this service.

In considering ships in general, it is interesting to note that among all the great improvements which have been made in ships, one thing remains unchanged. That is the rudder. It is the same in principle today as it was when the first caveman floated down a river on a log. He trailed a stick behind him to guide his craft.

## Business Administration

### MONEY

There is a wide diversity of opinion as to how banks operate, and what powers are possessed by them. Our whole banking structure depends on money and credit, together with their functions. Some facts regarding banking are elementary, but an understanding of them is absolutely necessary to comprehend its intricacies. One of the most widely talked of basic fundamentals of banking, about which many theories have been propounded, is that elusive thing called money—and when I say elusive, think back and reckon what percentage of the money that you have received has actually remained with you, and you will agree with me as to that term.

So many people use only money for their purchases that in their minds it is the only source of purchasing power, and that when we have a depression or setback in business, there is an improper distribution of money, or that there is actually a shortage of it. That is a fundamental error. Under a system of barter, for instance, the goods and services which a man has to offer are the real source of his purchasing power, and the extent of that purchasing power is measured by the amount of the goods or services of others which he can obtain in exchange for his own. Money in and of itself has not changed the basic principle of purchasing power. It merely has given us a medium through which to express values and which facilitate the exchange of goods and services. Through its use, the inconveniences of barter are done away with. For instance, suppose a man desired to buy a house under the barter system. He first had to go out and find a man who had a house to sell. When he had located him, he then had to find out whether or not he would exchange his house for the goods and services or both which he had to offer. If the man who owned the house agreed to take goods and services in exchange, all well and good. If not, the poor buyer had to start all over again and so on. Just picture how a man even today, would fare,

with all the different types of articles which a man might possess, or the various services the average man may have at his disposal. Compare him then with the man under a system of barter, and you will thoroughly appreciate the value of money in other than a dollar and cents manner. Thus money performs its chief function by passing from hand to hand as a medium of exchange.

The price of money is governed by another well-known economic principle—supply and demand. It is the price which buyers are willing to give and the sellers to accept for it. For instance, take radio stars. They are comparatively few and business enterprises vie with each other for their services. In one single performance they will receive many times more than, for instance, a farmer will receive as the result of a whole year's work. These values are set by the market—they signify what the buying public prefers.

The purchasing power of an individual necessarily varies with any fluctuation in the relative value of his product or service. A surplus or deficiency in the supply of money may affect somewhat the relative values, but drastic upsets in these values which affect people in general are not due to changes in money supply, but arise from causes such as disproportionate expansion of industrial enterprises based upon borrowing, crop failures, wars, excessive tariffs restricting markets, sudden alterations in tastes, habits and fashions, and to a considerable degree, to the uncertainty of potential legislation, that so vitally affects business plans. Laws may be a benefit when regulatory and coupled with proper governmental supervision but they should not be mandatory and oppressive.

Another function of money is that it is a storehouse of value. Many of us only take this element for granted and give it but little thought. A man can spend as much of his money as he pleases. If he receives more than necessary for his

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## Some Possible Issues IN THE 1936 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

To predict the leading issues of a campaign several months before the party conventions are held is usually an impossibility. This much seems sure: the campaign will revolve around the question of the new deal. This question has so many ramifications that to discuss all these problems would be a most difficult task. A few of the most important questions which are now frequently brought to our attention include the farm problem, the financial and banking problem and the problem of relieving unemployment and administering relief.

During the existence of our government we have experienced several economic panics, four of which were of a major nature. The effects of these were far-reaching and were felt for many years after their peak had been passed. While serious efforts were made to alleviate the unfortunate conditions and to forestall their recurrence, there were no radical widespread departures from our accustomed economic practices.

There is a serious question if the depression which began late in 1929 has been any more severe than some of our past depressions or so-called panics. The methods which have been used by the present administration to combat the depression have, in many cases, involved a decided departure from our accustomed economic practices. In a broad sense it would seem at this time that the paramount issue before the electorate will be its approval or disapproval of the policies fostered by the present administration in attempting to conquer the depression.

Several important administration policies have been declared unconstitutional by the supreme court. It has been suggested that the question of radical constitutional revision might well become an issue. Many of our leading writers on current politics question the wisdom of any candidate in raising such an issue. It would make a most interesting issue. Perhaps it will play an important part,

but at this time such a condition seems doubtful.

The farm issue is recognized by both parties. The Republican party seems intent on choosing its candidate from a western "farm" state. Already the Republicans are raising the issue of crop and livestock destruction and the increase of food prices. They seriously question the economics of the administration's farm relief policy. It appears as though this might be a leading issue in the Mid-West farm belt.

The financial and banking policies of the present administration have marked a wide departure from our former policies. The gold content of our standard dollar has been reduced by over 40 per cent. We can no longer use gold coin or gold certificates as money. The government now refuses to pay in gold bonds on which the promise was definitely made that such payment would be made at the time of their redemption.

### Federal Reserve

Our banking system has been greatly changed and far more control over banking has been concentrated in the hands of the President than ever before. All of these measures have been severely criticized by the opponents of the administration. They might well become important issues.

The question which probably is of greatest interest to the eastern voter is that which involves the problem of unemployment relief. In attempting to relieve unemployment the administration has undertaken vast public works projects. This has necessitated the establishing of a score of new government bureaus and the employment of several hundred thousand additional government employees to man these bureaus. In turn, all of this has involved tremendous cost which has greatly increased our national debt.

To meet this expenditure it has been necessary to impose many new and un-

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## Uses of Personal Ratings

It is only within the past two decades that the technique of the physical sciences has been applied to the understanding of Personality. In these twenty years it has run the course peculiar to its attack on any field—at first with confident dogmatism, then with hesitant questioning, and now with reservations concerning the nature of the elements with which it deals and the inferences drawn from its collected data. In the early stages the scientific methods were not far removed from the long-since discredited tricks of the phrenologist, the astrologist, the palmist, or the Katharine-Blackford system. It rested on the assumption that character or personality expressed itself through one or more traits, attempted to measure these and give them quantitative equivalents and then draw some inferences regarding the nature of the total personality. Out of this assumption came the craze for, and multiplicity of, so-called personality tests. Each test was composed of a number of items supposedly representative of a type of situation, and the Yes or No response to the imagined situation was supposed to indicate the nature of the personality. As a consequence a person was labelled as 20 per cent neurotic, 40 per cent submissive or 60 per cent introverted, as the case may be; and the implication was given that something was known about the personality by having such a score as that. The need for some such personality diagnosis as that is indicated by the extensive use that has been made of such tests in the business world. Insurance companies and department stores seem to be the most gullible, for it is in these that such tests have had the widest distribution.

Of late, the "scientific" results coming from such tests have been held in question. The test of every scientific result—correspondence with actuality—has work-

ed havoc on some of the cherished tests and in consequence today, most of the so-called personality test results are questioned, and the procedure frankly disputed. In some cases this has led to a despairing attitude towards the whole problem, and a resort to long-since abandoned tricks in order to understand personality. In other cases, it has led to a more wholesome facing of what every scientist regards as the most complex entity that can be brought into his laboratory. Scientific work is only possible when variables are isolated and examined repeatedly under every conceivable condition. Such work has been impeded in an attempt to understand personality because no one as yet knows what the variables are and under what representative situations they may be found working. In consequence, it is unusual today for the scientist to try to understand personality. He does not know with what he deals, and what are its necessary components. Instead of taking personality as a distant entity to be analyzed per se, his efforts are diverted in a much more promising direction. He now interprets personality as a relationship between an organism and the requirements of a situation. In any particular situation only some of the capacities or qualities of that organism will be called out; many of its potentialities will in any one situation find no scope for its expression. The degree of success attending the person's relation with the situation will depend upon the qualities the situation calls for and the development of these qualities in the person. The first task then in any personality analysis is not an analysis of the person; rather it is an analysis of what the situation is going to demand of the person. That can fairly easily be gained. Everyone, e.g., knows that an office worker has to be systematic, methodical, care-

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## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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immediate needs he can place it in some sort of investment such as a savings bank, bonds, stocks, mortgages, etc. This surplus money is called capital without which our present set-up of living in this country could not function. Consider how difficult it would be for a man under a barter system of exchange to accumulate any surplus. The only thing he could accumulate under that system would be goods, and if he had an oversupply of any one particular good, the old law of supply and demand would confront him. As to accumulating services, there is no such thing under barter. Today with our system of monetary exchange, a man may work year in and year out for another, that is, render services, receive money in exchange, have all the things that he desires and still have a little left. With this surplus, which in reality represents accumulated services, he can provide for his old age, for the education of his children, for the care and maintenance of his wife and family after his death, and for almost any other contingency that he can think of.

Our present monetary system is an intricate machine, built up from years of seasoned experience and adjusted to meet various circumstances. It is not perfect by any means, as we are forced to admit, but it has increased production and business, with the result that the general standard of living has shown a great advance. During the past 25 years our monetary system has been subjected to many upsets which it never was designed to meet—the climax of these upsets coming in March, 1933, when, by Presidential order, all the banks in the country were ordered to close their doors. Fortunately for us, our monetary system has recovered gradually from this and other shocks. There has been, however, much said regarding various monetary experiments. Our present system may have its faults, but whatever they may be, it has, over the past 100 years, financed our every need, and before we discard it, we should

## SOME POSSIBLE ISSUES

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tried tax schemes on industry as well as on certain classes of individuals. The opponents of such tax schemes have alleged that their imposition was stifling industry and working as great a hardship on the employee as upon the employer. In its attempt to regulate industry, it is alleged by the administration's opponents, small business has suffered and despite our anti-trust laws, big business has gained an unfair advantage.

All of these questions closely affect the life of the average working man. To him these questions are likely to bulk large in determining his choice of the next president. At the present time such an issue is bound to be of the greatest interest.

Each of these three important questions involve a multitude of questions about which lack of space does not permit discussion. No attempt has been made to discuss the merits of the administration's policies or of the criticisms of its opponents. In other presidential campaigns serious issues have been at stake and then in the closing weeks of the campaign some new issue which had been considered of little or no consequence, has arisen and thrust aside the real issues. Such a possibility is always present. At any rate this is not a discussion of what the issues will be; it is rather a discussion of what some of the important issues may be.

## PICTURES

How many of the late arrivals to classes have been delayed in the corridors because they wished to study art as presented through the pictures adorning public buildings and educational institutions? Any who study the pictures in Northeastern's corridors, do not need time enough to make them late to class. However, there has been some discussion of late as to what our one and only picture represents.

be sure that its substitute will be at least as good as its predecessor.

## Student Council

The Student Council of Northeastern University, Springfield Division, was organized during the school year of 1919 and 1920 with some twelve members.

Its activities were numerous and varied. It acted as the administrative committee of the student organization which later became known as the "Associated Students of Northeastern University, Springfield Division."

Every year the A. S. N. U. elected the Council until 1934. The early leaders were well chosen and gave generously of their time and labor to further interest in N. U. and accomplished their work with flying colors.

The Council, as one of its duties, collected the student activity fee with, occasionally, a nearly 100 per cent result. It sponsored many extra curricular activities such as class bowling and basketball. The two best known of its duties were the supervision of the class elections and the arrangement of the annual banquets of the student body. At times it was entrusted with important items of student discipline.

Although many of the members elected strove to keep the Council spirit alive, interest waned and last year the Council ceased to function. This was probably due to the fact that the work during the first ten years of its existence was so well executed that the newer members did not realize, as the older members departed, that the spirit of enthusiasm and activity must still be maintained.

Among many of the members who

served on the Student Council are:

S. O. Smith	'22
R. F. Dutcher	'23
R. R. Emerson	'23
R. B. Hartley	'23
E. P. Grace	'24
J. J. Higgins	'24
D. M. Macaulay	'24
M. O. Saunders	'24
B. J. Hunter	'25
Kimball Johnson	'25
Marion E. Bennett	
(Mrs. Donald MacGregory)	'26
Catherine Casey	'26
J. G. West	'26
R. C. Jandreau	'27
Arthur Paroshinsky	'27
H. O. Holley	'28
I. C. Taylor	'28
L. W. Kenney	'29
Catherine G. Moynihan	
(Mrs. W. J. Bent)	30
S. G. Brooks	'31
I. M. Cohen	'32
J. M. O'Malley	'32
K. C. Willard	'33
R. T. Lovett	'34
R. K. Cowan	'35
M. I. Sterns	'35

The annual banquet in 1935 was conducted by the joint efforts of the faculty and individual students. This year the Council has been amply supplied with new vigor and enlarged by the appointment of many new members by the faculty. It already has shown the spirit and life that are bound to carry it to new and better successes.

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### STANDARDIZATION

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many approximately similar pieces but changes must be made on them before they can be adapted to function with the original apparatus. If these parts were standardized this difficulty would not exist.

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Then we heard a Middler say they couldn't have used fords to cross rivers in the good old days, because by the time they invented autos they had bridges across the rivers.

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## USES OF PERSONAL RATINGS

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ful about his person, and accurate, in addition to other qualities peculiar to the demands of the particular job. Once the qualities the job demands are known, it is not very difficult to discover whether an individual possesses or does not possess them, provided the qualities are made specific to the situation and not general for the person. It is easy, e.g., to find out whether a person is habitually accurate in doing statistical work, but the percentage of accuracy characteristic of that is not necessarily an index of one's level of accuracy in other situations, neither is it an issue. Once the job-demanding qualities are known, the most reliable and most widely used method today of discovering the presence or absence of these qualities in part or in toto in an individual is the Rating Scale.

At the present time there are numerous forms in use; the most common form is the five-point specific-quality kind, which is made up by a person knowing the technique of Rating Scale construction, and being familiar with the qualities the job in a particular concern requires, and then gaining an estimate of candidates for the job, via the Rating Scale, from 4 or 5 people who know the candidate or candidates intimately. Its most frequent use today is in the selection of executives. For such positions job requirements are easily gained, candidates are usually within the organization, and estimates of the qualities the job demands can readily be made by candidates themselves and by supervisors on candidates, when relative rather than absolute judgments are called for. A Profile of the joint judgments on each candidate very readily leads to the selection of the person possessing the most desirable qualities for the particular position.

This method, when accurately used, has a statistical validity of over .8, and produces more satisfactory results than the "hunch" or "personality test" method.

## Northeastern Baseball Team

Coach J. D. Churchill of the Northeastern Baseball Team recently announced that he is positive that his team will meet with as great a success as it has in the past.

Northeastern Baseball, you ask? Certainly.

The team is organized from members of almost every walk of life: Economics, law, language, and science. Each member must have already proven his worth and fitness in the past before he becomes eligible for the team.

Mr. Churchill is the coach. His winning pitcher to date is Mr. Bowen. The faculty compose the batting lineup. The students are the balls.

The faculty are hard hitters. They apparently have no mercy or feeling. They hit each ball with a swat that may or may not send it high to success.

A "Nickle-Rocker" ball cannot stand the gaff. Its cover encloses a cheap center which becomes lop-sided after the first hit. That ball is no good; its side becomes ripped and then it falls to the sidelines—a foul. Fortunately there are few of these.

The ball that can weather the hard hits has proven to himself, to the batter, and to the fans, that he is ready for the knocks of life. He has proven to his employer, also, his worth and his willingness to suffer for success.

The popularity of Northeastern, established by its ever-growing enrollment, is fine proof of the success of the ball team. The Northeastern Alumni, leaders in today's industrial and business world, are the baseballs who have withstood for five or six years the severe test of a big league hitter.

## Facing the Future

The report rendered by Mr. Churchill, director of Northeastern University, to the Springfield Young Men's Christian Association contains much worthy of note by those of us who have been connected with Northeastern's past, no matter what the length of time of that connection.

Quote:

"Northeastern University in Springfield is approaching the close of its first 20 years. In something less than this length of time it has turned out approximately 500 alumni with probably as high a per cent who have made outstanding contributions to the life of their respective communities as is true for any American college. To mention only the few that would be possible here who stand high in civil, social, commercial, professional, military, and other lines of activity would be unfair to many others who should be included. It would be a real pleasure, however, to tell individuals who are interested who Springfield Northeastern alumni are that they may then be able really to judge what they are in comparison with alumni of any other institution of higher learning.

"Despite the nearly 20 years very little is known by people at large about this local educational institution outside of the very erroneous concept that it is another night school with all the unfortunate implications that term has. Despite the fact it has no endowment, despite the fact it has, since about 1923, not only paid its educational operating expenses and contributed materially to the overhead expenses of the Young Men's Christian Association, it has been an institution operating upon sound standards of academic achievement and under the same quality of instructor that is expected in reputable so-called day institutions; and in accordance with the principles of operation of reputable institutions of higher learning, its publicity has been simple, factual, honest. The fact that the students are, however, reasonably busy with the actual experiences of life in sunlight hours and engaged in study and recitation in the evening hours has precluded that most common form of college publicity which is always a help to registration and endowment, but not an unmixed blessing with regard to academic attainments, varsity athletic teams.

"We might briefly remind ourselves and others, however, that courses are as difficult, instruction in many cases better, (our instructors are at once now seasoned instructors and practical men) as in other institutions and that at the present time, though one cannot win a large "N" for his sweater, he can obtain his baccalaureate in law or a bachelor of business administration degree in Accounting, Management, Law and Business or Engineering and Business, in the first case, at the end of five years, in the remaining cases, at the end of six. Incidentally, despite depression years, upward of 400 men and women have been doing this since about 1930 and under an instructional staff of over 50.

"Concerning the academic year ending June 30 we have a registration of 494—144 Law, 119 Accounting, 93 Management, 93 Engineering and Business, 29 Law and Business, and the following small group of pre-college students who are taking courses in preparation for entering college work—16. Of this number there are 40 duplicates (those who recite in more than one curriculum).

"The certainty that after September 1937 we shall admit no law students who have not had one-half of college education as well as high school plus the fact that in the last two years registration in law, accounting and management has not been quite what we would consider necessary if we are to operate without that element of subsidy which comes to almost every known worthy institution of higher learning in the form of either endowment income, annual contributions or tax support.

"The quality and the detail of sound administration and counselling in an institution of advanced education is such that there must be continuously several



**PRO-PHY-LAC-TIC BRUSH CO.**

Florence, Mass., U. S. A.

March 12, 1936.

My dear Mr. Hutchinson:

I wish to express to you my humble conception of how much Northeastern University has meant to me. In 1924 after taking inventory of myself generally speaking, my job, my future possibilities here and elsewhere, I reached the conclusion that everything was at a standstill. The next step was what to do to improve this condition. There was no possibility to attend a regular day college. However, here in Springfield, only ten miles away, was Northeastern.

After an interview with a kindly gentleman, in the front office, who is better known as Mr. John D. Churchill, a program for study was outlined.

During the four years I made many close friends among the faculty and students. As I progressed in my studies, my work seemed easier, the method of approach was different, my wages were increased until I was the highest paid man in the department next to the foreman. Here again was a stone wall. Advancement seemed impossible. The foreman was a young man, up to date and ambitious himself. So I made a change in place of employment. Here an opportunity was made possible in the drafting room only because of my studies at Northeastern. So the hard step from a Mechanic to a Draftsman was made.

After four years, another opening presented itself with my present employer with a substantial increase in salary.

Measured in dollars and cents value, my contact with Northeastern has helped me double my income in twelve years, and holds the same during these years of depression. My job as an executive in industry became a reality only because I had prepared during previous years at Northeastern.

Realizing all this, I am back now for further study.

(Signed) JOHN W. SCHMIDT.

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people of capacity always on the administrative staff. If sound standards and subsequent desirable achievements are to be assured without eventually impairing the efficiency, if not resulting in the loss altogether, of the one or two who have not only the competence but the years of experience to hold the work together.

"A third problem is imminently necessary of solution because of the change in pre-legal academic requirements effective after September 1937 (the law reads after September 1938 but for the matter of registration of students September 1937 is the actual date), and it is further emphasized by the fact that there may be some particular responsibility on the part of the local University program to its continuity because of curtailed budgets, not only in the Springfield school system, but in neighboring cities. The question is, should we, can we, and shall we supply certain areas of education such as postgraduate high school study or summer school high school study which are no longer available through the public school systems, and further shall we supply liberal arts work equivalent at least to two years of liberal arts college on a standard of quality that alone merits its presentation? In connection with this last, not only do the new law requirements make this an important matter of consideration but also the closing of the very excellent opportunities which have been available through the Springfield Junior College.

"Our past is creditably secure; our future is reasonably hopeful if we now, all of us, raise Springfield Northeastern, not only in our thinking but in actual fact, from the unconscious stigma of being thought of as a good evening school to its actual acceptance as a college of sound values regardless of whether certain of its recitations happen to be in the day or in the evening.



## Vacation—An Interlude

As we approach the end of a school year we are prone to look ahead to the enjoyment of summer. We know it will provide relaxation and relief from studies. Yet no matter how keen our anticipation of the summer season is, a suggestion of melancholia may creep in.

There are several reasons for this. Those of us who graduate will certainly miss the hustle and activity of attending classes when next fall rolls around. Those of us who remain will feel the loss of the graduating class. We have grown to know and admire them. We know that there will be another fine freshman class next year.

In time we will become acquainted with them, but they will never occupy the same position in our regard as do our seniors. This is largely because they will be younger and less experienced in life. So to our seniors let us say, "The best of luck."

We will lose some of our undergraduates. Several are transferring to other schools. They will also be missed and our best wishes go with them.

The weather itself contributes to lethargy. Final exams take a toll of our vitality. Last-minute review concentrated on clearing up vague points seems to be a tedious task.

To offset this depression let us look at the bright spots directly connected with the school. Every one of us may feel satisfaction in the completion of another year. If our marks have not been quite all we desire, we can do better next year. Just for a moment look back at the time we have spent here. It seems mighty short. Looking ahead six years is an eon, looking backward an interlude.

We have made fine friendships that will remain for years, in some cases for life. We have widened our experience in living. Our viewpoints are socially better adjusted, the student activities have been increased during the past year. Our enrollment continues to grow. These may be accepted as signs of improvement.

These are rambling thoughts that must be tied together. To do this we must return to the starting point, where we discussed vacation. It is not for us to dictate or even suggest, but there may be some value in probing deeper into some subjects. If you care to, here's the chance,—but lay them aside,—there's a fine swimming pool at Look Park (the name isn't a joke). Maybe a day at the seashore, even sleep a week-end through, but give a thought to next year's program. Use some of this vacation to decide what will hit your needs and ability. It will pay.

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## To-morrow

We started out sincerely  
October 1, but really  
It took an hour to write a single word.  
With hope wrapped up in tissue,  
We did a second issue,  
And here's the spot we started on the third.

This marks the spot we stumbled  
Where all among us grumbled.  
We changed our gentle whispers to a roar,  
But once the storm was ended,  
We vowed that we intended  
To lose our tired tempers never more.

This year we aged completely  
In learning how to sweetly  
Dig out from under all the mud that flew.  
So if we cut capers  
And published the wrong papers,  
At least we did our best to interest you.

We plan to spend the summer  
In growing even dumber  
But we'll be back to tease you in the fall.  
Because we'll need more matter  
Nor'easter's sheets to spatter,  
We ask you to join with us, one and all.

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## Helmsman

Any vessel that would run successfully before a northeast gale needs a good helmsman. If it would tack into the gale safely, it needs a better one. If the vessel is new, untried, and not entirely perfected, the man at the helm must indeed be good.

The Nor'easter is new; its period of sailing has been too limited for it to have been rigged or manned to perfection, and certainly the early days of any college paper are days of bucking the uncertainties of rough water. But the man who stood at the helm from the beginning, and the green but loyal volunteer crew in its first ventures through the flying foam, did a very commendable job. This issue of the Nor'easter begins volume II of its log. It was ready to leave port when the helmsman, through much good work too well done, was incapacitated. The Nor'easter staff, the faculty, the student body, wish helmsman Hamilton Torrey rest and speedy recuperation.

But the loyalty of the crew of the last voyage, the manifest desire of the student body that it should once more embark upon the seas of print, and realization of what this common interest alone of all Northeastern interests can mean to Springfield Northeastern prevents the Nor'easter staying in port even though the original helmsman remains at home.

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### COUNSELLING

There is an accommodation available to Northeastern students of which few realize the value until they are requested to make use of it at the pain of losing a mark. Then it becomes a duty, and counselling was never meant to inflict duty upon students.

When one recites in the evening there is probably twice the need of a good group of counsellors and a good counselling system that there is in a day school. With life so full of other things, it is only natural that work and other affairs interfere at times with the full amount of time for school. Discouragement is always ready to gain a hold on students unless they have someone or something to turn to for advice or suggestions.

The counsellors are ready at all times to assist in any problem which confronts a student. It is not necessary for him to wait until he receives a below-passing mark and is summoned to appear before a counsellor.

Faculty members who serve as counsellors are:

Mr. Frank Auchter—For upper class Law students.

Mr. Richard S. Woodbury—For first and second year Law students

Mr. Guy D. Miller—For all Business Administration students.

Mr. Fred W. Hutchinson—For all Engineering and Business students.

It is interesting to note that the majority of students have developed a counselling system of their own. They become acquainted with their own instructors and feel free to take any problem to them. They have found that every instructor at Northeastern is ready and willing to help to the fullest of his ability.

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### ATTENDANCE VS. NIGHTS OFF

Deeply imbedded in the dark recesses of the Northeastern University catalogue is information concerning attendance, vitally important to every student of the school, yet to date only 50 per cent of the student body can repeat all four of its distinct parts.

1. Ye Hairbreadth Harries who pass with the questionable grade of "D" be warned. None of you attending less than 75 per cent of the class sessions will be credited with passing the subject.

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## Middlebury Smith, Business Man

August 27, 1936

Automobile Manufacturers, Inc.  
Chicago  
Illinois

Gentlemen:

This morning I had a little trouble with my car. Maybe you wonder, why should I tell you? Well, I didn't intend to until I talked with my mechanic and learned that he couldn't do anything about it. So now who can I turn to but you Gentlemen who made the car in the first place?

I work in a small city, and the factory where I work is on a small street, one side of which is filled with No Parking signs. Being a law-abiding citizen, and wishing to do what is right at all times, I park on the other side; but I usually come in from the other end, so the car is backwards with the opposite side near the sidewalk. This is called parking on the wrong side, but on this street it is customary and the officers do not object.

This morning it rained very hard. Everything was wet and dripping. I parked as usual in a big hurry because I was late underneath a big tree where it rains hardest on account of the big drops which gather on the edge of a leaf and all jump off together. Because of these big drops, I tried to be very careful and keep dry. I always lock my car because of what you say in your booklet and because insurance companies remind me, too.

I pushed up the catches on three of the doors and prepared to leave by way of the fourth. I opened the door, shoved my umbrella out, opened it, and stepped out underneath it, onto the sidewalk on the left-hand side of the car. I then pushed up the catch on this door and slammed it shut. When I started to walk away my umbrella wouldn't come too. I looked back, and you may imagine my chagrin, etc. when you learn that I had shut an umbrella spoke in the top of the door.

Nobody was around, it being late and everybody being at work. I had to manage for myself and I surely did get wet. My coat sleeves are above my wrist even while I write to you. I had to go out from under that umbrella, around the car, unlock the other door, crawl through the car, and come out again the way I had in the first place, this time releasing my umbrella, which is broken.

I should have not bothered you with all details, only I thought you might not have considered what happens to anyone who closes part of himself in the car when he slams the door shut. Maybe you will find it advisable to put a key hole in both front doors of your new models. This would save a lot of trouble in loosening caught umbrellas in the rain, or digging out after the snowplow covers the key hole side of a car.

Yours very truly,

Middlebury Smith

October 26, 1936

Automobile Manufacturers, Inc.  
Chicago  
Illinois

Gentlemen:

A lot has happened since I first wrote you about the trouble that comes from having one key hole in a car, and herewith I want to withdraw my suggestion that cars should be equipped with two key holes. One is much better and I should never have questioned your judgment.

I wish to thank you for the umbrella which you sent me to take the place of the one I injured. It is a very nice umbrella and I like to carry it even when it isn't raining.

The reason I changed my mind about the key hole is as follows: A week ago I ran out of gas late at night on a country road. I was walking back whistling the way I do in the dark, when I heard a girl's voice calling me. She was sitting on the running board of a car that was parked in a pasture near the roadside. I walked hesitatingly toward her, expecting to be slugged the way they are in the movies. But I wasn't.

That poor girl was in a worse fix than my umbrella. She was coming home from a sorority social and she lived in a summer camp a few yards down the side road. She had to leave her car out in the pasture because the rain we've been having made the side road too muddy. She always locks her car, too, and she did the same thing I did, only worse. She caught the hem of her long dress under the door and she couldn't move to walk around the car and get to the other key hole. She was waiting for her brother when I came along.

That's why you'd better leave your cars with only one key hole. People that catch themselves in locked doors ought to be allowed to do so. Otherwise we wouldn't have met, and if we had we wouldn't have understood each other so well. She is my type of girl, as you may understand, and that is why I am now for the cars with one key hole.

Yours very truly,

Middlebury Smith.

## Attendance vs. Nights Off

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2. Ye who demonstrate your annoyance with what ye olde pedagogue says by attending less than 75 per cent of the time, but put in an appearance for more than 50 per cent of the classes, bring an excuse for 25 per cent of your absences. Ye will be passed, provided the average for the year is a semi-circle or better. If it's worse, \$2 admits ye to a make-up examination, twice as hard as the original,

3. Ye unfortunates who attend less than 50 per cent of the classes, have no hope, until you repeat the course.

4. Ye scholars who continually enter class late, or leave early, are respectively and respectfully reminded that no credit for attendance is given unless ye are there for 75 per cent of the session. Three such partial absences comprise one whole absence.

Yea, and verily.

## Springfield Northeastern Bar Examination Results

The results of the recent Massachusetts Bar Examinations reveal that the Northeastern Law School locally is rapidly forging ahead as a leading law school in Massachusetts. Of the candidates that took the examinations given on July 1, 1936, it is noted that six successful candidates are graduates of Northeastern, four having graduated in June of 1936. The graduates of Northeastern who were successful are Maxwell B. Bogardus, Richard B. Hodskins, Raymond F. O'Connell, Nicholas W. Zco, Jr., Norman L. Stepno and Dr. Mary A. Noble.

Mr. Bogardus, of the class of 1936, is also a graduate of Amherst College in the class of 1931, and while at that college was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as the result of his outstanding scholastic ability. He started the study of law at Harvard Law School, but transferred to Northeastern in 1932. He received a provisional appointment at commencement. Mr. Bogardus is now connected with the law firm of Ropes, Gray, Boyden and Parks, in the city of Boston.

Mr. Hodskins, also of the class of 1936, is a graduate of the Springfield Public Schools, having been graduated from Classical High School in 1926. He then matriculated at Williams College and received his degree from that institution in 1930. While at Williams Mr. Hodskins was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. Mr. Hodskins also received a provisional appointment at commencement.

Mr. O'Connell, a graduate of the class of 1934, is also a product of the Springfield Public Schools. He is at present finishing his term as Representative in the

Massachusetts Legislature. He did not seek re-election, but unsuccessfully sought the Democratic nomination for United States Representative. While a member of the state legislature, Mr. O'Connell was appointed as one of the representatives of the Governor on a special recess commission to study taxation. He soon became known as a taxation expert and his experience took him to Washington for a National Conference, the primary purpose of which was to relieve real estate of excess taxation.

Mr. Zco was a member of the graduating class of 1933. After his graduation from Northeastern he studied for his master's degree at the Boston University Law School. He has been prominently identified with Nicholas Zco Inc., fruit dealers in Springfield, since the death of his father. While at Northeastern Mr. Zco was actively engaged in the affairs of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity.

Dr. Noble is a graduate of Westfield High School. She received her A. B. and A. M. degrees from Bryn Mawr and later received her doctor's degree from Yale University. She then went to the faculty of the New Jersey College for Women. She entered Northeastern University Law School in 1930 and was graduated with the class of 1936, cum laude. She received an appointment as student speaker at commencement exercises.

Mr. Stepno is a graduate of the Holyoke Public Schools. He was graduated from Northeastern Law School with the class of 1936, and while at school proved himself to be a good student.



## MAKING THE DEAN'S LIST

Every fall, just when we have visited each of our classes at least once, and have promised ourselves that we will start studying next week, along comes the Dean's list and gets itself posted on the bulletin board in full view of all, sundry, and divers.

The only antidote for that sickening feeling around the second corner, the only way to change "Oh dear," to "Oh-oh," on glimpsing the Dean's list is to discover one's own name among the other mark-getters, teacher's pets, jam-crammers, and lucky dogs.

How? Those of us who haven't been there don't know. Those of us who have don't know either. The instructors are as surprised as anyone to see some of the names reposing blissfully along with some they knew would be there. That is because the Dean's list carries the names of all those regular students whose entire average amounts to 80 per cent or over. It is possible to have a 78 per cent in one subject, and balance it by a 90 per cent in another, thus "making the dean's list."

Styles in Dean's lists do change. They run through a cycle, just like Wall Street, but it isn't worth mentioning any more than it is in Wall Street. Nobody believes it anyway. Nevertheless it is so. Take for example the year when everybody who had the presence of mind to sign his name "Roberta" instead of "Robert" found himself among the honored few. It's even possible to do this now, provided there aren't too many Roberta's and Martina's and Fredericka's, and provided that those who like this way of doing business go the whole way and wear high-heels, skirts, and feathers in their hats.

It helps somewhat to say, "Hah!—Hu-uu-uh! and H-m-mm," in answer to all questions. This shows deep foresight and an understanding of all phases of the deepest problem. Instructors realize there is a potential executive in their midst, and straightway nominate them for the Dean's list.

There was a time when we could bring presents to all the instructors, thus assur-

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## THESE GUYS MADE IT

Yep, we saw on the bulletin board some while ago the release of Dean Whitney of the School of Business of the Solomons of Springfield Northeastern who made his honor roll in 1935-36. But such notables need to be re-cited here; and then there's one smart lad the Dean forgot to mention, according to a later notice our Recorder received, J. E. Reed '41. Here they are:

1936

H. J. Farrell, L. M. Gendreau, Harold Mosedale, Jr., Dorothy F. Sheehan.

1937

R. B. MacPherson, F. G. Maurer, R. E. Menzel, Jr., C. V. Sission, L. H. Thiem, J. G. Walz, F. E. Woodill.

1938

R. D. Gourlie, W. E. Kusnick, L. K. Teubner.

1939

D. S. Clark, H. A. LeDuc, S. C. Mathison, P. H. Porter, L. W. Schoppee, E. C. Swanson, S. W. Warwick.

1940

Alice M. Davis, F. E. Hegarty, F. R. Schreiter, R. E. Sharpe, S. N. Slater, D. L. Turnbull, A. J. Yodowski.

1941

G. C. Amnotte, G. H. Bolduan, H. B. Briggs, G. P. Chevier, C. K. Enzor, A. S. Gminski, F. H. Holloway, F. S. Jamro, T. N. Kasemeotes, F. T. Koehler, Carl Lauppe, Jr., W. W. Potter, J. E. Reed, Stuart Reynolds, H. C. Scott, Louis Searleman, H. H. Tiedgen, E. A. Wood, L. F. Woods.

By the way, some of these high ranking birds must be good. Harold Farrell graduated last June "with high honor" and Dorothy Sheehan is a good man, too; so did she. And that boy Louis Gendreau copped a "with honor". We also learn that John Walz, '37, and Frank Hegarty, '40, were "in the money". Wise guys indeed. They not only pulled down the honor respectively of winning the Junior and Sophomore Scholarship Awards and making the Dean's list, but they pick up a cool 25 bucks on their tuition for this year through the appreciation set on scholarship by Pi Tau Kappa and Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternities.



## Why Are They Included?

Long years ago there lived a group of men who predicted things to come. Today we have with us a heterogeneous group of fortune tellers, mediums, palmists etc who profess to foretell the future. Most of us do not possess any such ability. Probably this is a blessing, but often gives rise to certain perplexities and doubts. We often hear folks say, "Why should I study that? It is no use to me."

If we had the vision of a prophet there would be no such questioning. We would simply go ahead and prepare ourselves for the eventual certainties. Lacking such vision we can only rely on experience of others. In this it is best that we should take counsel from those older than ourselves, both in years and experience. We can observe the course they have followed in attaining success. Changing conditions may call for modifications in our procedure, but the fundamentals are fairly well defined. They are those things that have stood the test of time. This in itself serves as a partial answer to our questioning for the proper preparation for success.

We find changes in our Northeastern curricula nearly every year. This indicates a conscious effort to keep abreast of the times. At the same time we find other courses offered year after year. A few of these are in that much maligned group in which we see no sense.

Early in our program we find a subject that does not appeal to many of us. Many remarks are passed about it. Some even suspect the University of requiring this subject as a means of securing just so many donations of forty dollars each. It is significant that such remarks are not uttered by our older students. Those who have gone beyond this course find in other subjects items that are familiar, because of their previous study of it. They see even before graduating use of this particular course. It provides in a condensed form many basic principles that are afterwards enlarged on. It also guides many students in selecting the field of their specialization.

To those who may not see any sense in this course just at present, it will be encouraging to know that in a year or so they will be saying, "Oh yes, we learned something like that last year."

This is only one phase of the situation. These same students will find incidents in their business lives considerably clarified. They will see results much quicker than they expect. This is because the broad scope of the course touches many aspects of business procedure.

Other courses may not justify themselves as quickly. It is conceivable that a change in employment may show their worth. An office worker may be laid off or discharged. During the past few years this has meant that he probably will have difficulty in securing a similar position. He may be able to obtain a sales position. In his new job he begins to apply principles of salesmanship. In the old position there was little need of them. They might have laid dormant for years. Now they enable our new salesman to make a living. Probably he will become more successful than he would ever have been otherwise. Thus a course that may have seemed of small value at the time he studied it, has become a major factor in his life.

Another thing that we may not fully appreciate is the value of the exchange of ideas that occurs in our classrooms. Even the dullest subject is enlivened by intelligent discussion. A few years ago there was a student at Northeastern who fully appreciated this. His case is such a classic example that it deserves relating.

This particular student knew the subject from A to Z. The instructor decided that he might be using his time to better advantage in another classroom. He therefor approached the student, telling him that he need not attend the class any longer. The student replied that while he knew the subject, he wanted to stay in the class. He wasn't listening to the instructor anyway, just taking notes on what the students had to say, and learning

something every night. This somewhat deflated the instructor, but he tells the story as a joke on himself and surely won't mind having it repeated here.

We have endeavored to show that there is sense in all of the subjects taught at Northeastern. It may take a little thought to demonstrate it's value but it is there.

We have presented our arguments in the best of spirit, trying to be friendly and peaceful. If there is anyone who wishes to dispute the question we will meet him at dawn, in the public square provided—he brings a fishing rod and knows where the bass are striking.

### Making the Dean's List

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ing ourselves of a place on the honor roll, but that was before a still brighter pupil brought some applesauce and demoted us all. Now we are forced to more subtle methods, such as reading the assignments, studying the text, listening to the instructor, and at all times keeping an open mind on the subject. That last is in need of qualification. Open minds should be shut by all who have instructors who ask for students' opinions on examination papers. The concrete rule on the subject is as follows: If an instructor requests your opinion give him back what he thinks when writing examination papers.

If there isn't time to study, there is more expense involved. That is, if the Dean's list is the goal. Without time to study, books should be placed in all available spots, so that one may catch a sentence of the assignment when he stoops to tie his shoes, sits to eat his breakfast, stops to pet the cat, or trips over a rug.

Be thankful of the Bell curve, Northeastern's marking system. Without it, nobody would flunk, nobody would beat anybody else or himself, and nobody would make the Dean's list.

## SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSES

### PRE-COLLEGE STUDENTS

All you 480 plus college students here have it pretty easy. You only recite two hours in the evening in subjects that run for 30 odd weeks. For years there have been a scant dozen pre-college folks who recite three hours a night in courses that last 40 weeks. That's how badly they want to prepare to take up the work the rest of us are taking. News: there's nearer two dozen of these extra ambitious and highly to be commended people this year getting ready to thunder at the doors of N. U. for admission. They're such regular folks as they move among us that we must have been taking the whole batch for full fledged degree candidates already.

By the way there's a lot we could tell you that would be interesting news about registration this fall but we just haven't got time to pry the data out of the Registrar's office to get it in shape and to the printer for this issue. Suffice it to say that on October 25 the gross registration of all those in attendance this fall, including the p-c handful, is 501.

### Springfield Summer School

Maybe some of you heard last summer of the Springfield Summer School. That was a group of high school boys and girls who wanted to do some studying in the summer so that they would be better students in the fall when they went back to high school. Somebody thought N. U. educational requirements were such that if the University, locally, would just oversee the matter the work would be properly done. And so it was. A numbers of boys and girls from Classical, Tech, West Springfield, etc., "enjoyed" the summer weeks here and actually went back to school this fall much happier for the experience.

## The Class Room Story Club

Instructors have a way of taking the wind out of the sails of eager and aspiring students. Of course a little wind does go a long way, and it is a good thing to have someone to intercede when a student commences a long and harrowing narration about something removed from the subject at hand. Nevertheless, some of the stories are worth listening to, if time permitted, but instructors have a yen for time saving, and we never do get to hear what the fellow the next aisle over wanted to tell about his uncle's law suit. Consequently we have come to this—

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS (and it isn't even Christmas time) that, The Class Room Story Club, duly formed and finally executed under the auspices and jurisdiction of the parties of the seventh, and ninth, parts, is hereby allowed to conduct its business whereas, however, and as it may be, in any story-telling room, Hampden, s. s., Massachusetts.

The purpose of the Class Room Story Club is to acquaint all members of Northeastern University with instructors' favorite stories. In this manner, the instructor will not be compelled to repeat himself year after year and wear himself out with monotony. Furthermore, there will be a great amount of time saving involved, and the students may get a chance to tell a story occasionally. In addition, the stories the instructors tell are worth sharing with everyone, and comprise a major part of a well integrated fund of knowledge.

Take Mr. Brown and what he has to say about Henry Ford. It's worth repeating, even more often than Mr. Brown repeats it. We heard it in Ec. 1-2; Ec. 3-4; Ec. 9; and we just heard it again in A. 5-6. Now that we are sure of the details, we hereby present it to everyone, and may he use it wisely and well.

It happened in the days when the Model T was the pride and joy of every Ford salesman, in the days when the sale of a Model T was, to the seller, every bit as

good as the purchase of a gilt-edged bond. The salesman was sure of his interest for years to come, for every Ford purchaser had to come back for repairs, and parts, and repairs. Yes, indeed, a Ford agency was something worth acquiring, and once acquired, it was held on to with a great deal of vim, spirit, and vitality.

It also happened that Wall Street had a reputation for having soiled, broken, and appropriated several of the country's leading business men, just as soon as they found it impossible to buy hats large enough to fit their heads. Wall Street, unfortunately for it, increased its own head size and went out after Henry Ford. It was common knowledge in New York. People talked about it. There was no question of it. It was simply a matter of time before Henry Ford would fold up and Wall Street would take over his business, keeping Henry as office boy. Maybe they talked about it too much. Maybe it was time for the 1921 depression to be over anyway. Maybe Mr. Ford was naturally smart.

Nevertheless, it looked pretty black for Mr. Ford. His agents were not selling cars. The public just wasn't buying anything, not after the way prices slid up after the war. And poor (?) Mr. Ford had his storehouses crammed jammed full of Model T's that weren't moving. The only thing Mr. Ford could depend on was that his agencies were worth a lot to those who had them. Then he had an idea.

Mr. Ford counted up his cars. He counted up his agencies. He divided, and weighted his average. He apportioned a share of his cars to each agency. He loaded the Model T's on freight cars and shipped them "hither, thither, and yon." He shipped and shipped until there wasn't a car left in his warehouses. Then he wrote a letter to his agents. He said something like this.

"Today we have shipped to you 120 Model T Ford automobiles. They will be at your local freight office within two

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## Nor'easter vs. Northeastern

This is an action in tort for negligence brought by the infant Nor'easter, through its next of kin guardian—the editorial staff, for gross and willful negligence in not furnishing the plaintiff with the necessities of existence, namely, contributions; and in consequence of this willful negligence the plaintiff has suffered great harm and is now in danger of "passing out". (How's that for legal verbiage?)

I started this off as a legal action, but due to the seasonal trend, it is more appropriate to change it to a political campaign and the Nor'easter is hereby nominated as, not only worthy of your casual persual, but also of your co-operation and collaborative efforts. (If you don't stutter on this, you're a politician.)

The Nor'easter might be an honest to goodness hurricane, as the name implies, rather than a timid pamphlet, if we judge by the cries for help from the editorial staff. This same staff, about 25 per cent charming young lady, is, to use its own words "up a tree". Tell me not in mournful numbers that we lack the chivalrous heroes to rescue the fair maiden from her plight.

We are students and not scribes, writers or editors, but nevertheless there must be a reason for the literary aridity of the Northeastern intellect. (That's supposed to be English.)

We must analyse this problem from the bottom up (Callahan—Pers. Prop.); we must apply the correct rule and then proceed to proper conclusion by logical deductions (Note book page 4—who said I didn't listen in class).

Well boys—and girls too—the only applicable rule is: The student body of this school has no valid excuse whatever for this shameful neglect of their only house organ. (Mr. Woodbury—please explain to the Froshes that "organ" is not here used as a musical term). Search as I may only three valid reasons appear that may curb the Chesterfield or the Meincken within us, and they are: (a) lack of time, (b) timidity, (c) lack of

incentive. (I could possibly include headaches, earaches, sore fingers etc.)

Lack of time seems to be the handiest and most prevalent excuse. It is common knowledge (even to the faculty) that we Northeasterners are busy 28 hours out of 24. Nevertheless if you are really modern and have followed the trend of time, you can easily apply some of our new Democratic mathematics and squeeze out a few spare moments, without worrying where they are to come from. Statistics (don't ask me where I got them) show that the Northeasterner's day is, charitably putting it, something like this:

- 7 a. m. Rise (how's the head)
- 8-5 Work (if the boss is looking—if not read case books)
- 5-6 About time for a bit of a snack
- 6-7 Library
- 7-9 Cases from "Nisi Prius" up. (If you know who that guy is you don't belong here)
- 9-11 Time to satisfy that "man about town" urge.
- 11-to all a. m. Abstracts—abstracts and more abstracts—yawns—yawns—and more yawns and maybe a little sleep.

Anyone who cannot figure out some spare time from a schedule like that, must have faked his aptitude test. Well that settles the lack of time problem (NO back talk please.)

Our next obstacle seems to be literary timidity. To begin with, this argument doesn't hold for the married men, if they will only recall the number of times they signed their names to pages and pages of ————(you fill in the blank) in the days when romance stunted your intelligence. To the other happy category of humans who would be contributors if their names were not to appear in print, I can refer you to one of the greatest and the worst, one of the oldest and the youngest, one of the most universal yet the most intimate and individual author of all times, who would be glad to accept the responsibility for your printed thoughts, meet our



mutual friend "ANONYMOUS". Great old guy this Anonymous chap, he has saved many a writer from getting shot. (I mean ballistically and not alcoholically); in fact I am thinking seriously of seeking his protection myself as I wash my hands of this timidity problem.

The third, last and greatest, obstacle is lack of incentive, the "sine qua non" of all successful enterprise. What, oh what could be done to compel a surge of the dormant Bacon within us (and I don't mean any gastronomical reaction)?

Your humble scribe, under the valiant protection of our good friend Anonymous, ventures a few suggestions, which, after due comments, arguments and digestion, he hopes will be acted on. This forthcoming suggestion, although not original by any means, is nevertheless worthy of a Disraeli or a Morgan or even a Northeastern Business Adm. Student, and is based on the one great human weakness "greed". The suggestion is simplicity itself (and so is its author)—Why not offer a prize of some sort, cash or other, for the most worthy effort contributed to each issue? The intricacies of financing this idea are beyond the pale of my budding legal mind but could be worked out nicely by the Bus. Adm. boys.

Another suggestion would be to inaugurate a series of controversial articles on some subject matter of current class study. This would, among other things, stimulate individual research. One class of each of Springfield Northeastern's divisions, vis., Law, Business, Engineering and Business, etc., could contribute monthly.

Yet a third suggestion would be to shift the editorial burdens from class to class. Each could in turn edit the organ and be responsible for its publication.

I'm sure the faculty would welcome the additional burden of acting as judges as to the value of these various competitive articles. (Am I glad Anonymous is writing this!)

There are many more possible suggestions—what are yours? (Did some one make a nasty remark?)

Quoting from Mr. Brooks' (you know

Torts, room A9-10) very encouraging first night address "Take a good look at the fellow next to you because one of you will not be here next year". Paralleling this hearty greeting, I say take a good look at this issue of the Nor'easter because without your help it won't be here next month.

Who said go to H——. O. K. fella' 'I'll be seeing ya'.

Yours truly,  
Anonymous.

I forgot, boys, that we have one more problem to solve; how are we going to take care of the flood of contributions that will pour in from now on? ? ? ? ?

### THE CLASS ROOM STORY CLUB

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days." (Or one day, or three days, depending on the length of railroad between Mr. Ford and his agent) "We have drawn on you a draft, the face value of which equals the purchase price of your 120 cars. The bill of lading is attached to the draft, and they both await your signature at your local bank. If you are not in a financial position to meet the draft, please let us know at once, in order that we may select another agent in your locality."

He must have added "Yours very truly," or something that eased the agents' wounded spirits, because 90 per cent of those agents hied themselves down to their banks and signed their drafts and got their bills of lading, and loaded themselves down with Model T's they thought they couldn't sell.

And then what? Well, Henry Ford began to advertise for the first time. He advertised and he reduced the price of his Model T. The first thing anybody knew, people were buying Fords like newspapers during the world series, and the agents made a profit, and Mr. Ford made a profit, and Wall Street pulled in its neck and sulked, and the buying depression was over. Some fellow, Henry Ford.



## N. U. Wins

All loyal alumni and undergraduates of Springfield Northeastern follow with interest the athletic achievement of our brothers in Boston. It was natural to find on our Bulletin Board recently a picture of Northeastern's grid warriors at the time they journeyed to the Connecticut Valley to cross lances with the foemen at Springfield College. And it was some game! The only fly in the ointment was that N. U. was on the short end of a close score of a hard fought game.

For Springfield Northeastern, properly enough, extra curricular activities do not lead to the athletic field; but with us it's heads we win, tails they lose regardless of the outcome. The second congressional district of Massachusetts was recently in need of a new congressman. The need, as always, for such a position is an incumbent of honesty, capacity, determination, and broad vision. Out of the welter of aspirants in primary days came Charles Russell Clason for 16 years continuously a member of the Springfield Northeastern faculty, and for his opponent, Agnes C. (Lambert) Reavey, N. U. '31.

If anyone will take the pains to trek the history of Mr. Clason from his home town of Gardiner, Maine, through Bates College, Georgetown University, Oxford University, War Relief Service in Belgium, attorney, teacher, and good citizen in Springfield, he will have journeyed a part of the life history of a good Maine family and a splendid citizen of Massachusetts. As for his relation to Northeastern, it will be found to be not only that of an always efficient and dependable instructor, but one interested both in the welfare of the University and of its students; one who has found time for extra demands and gifts where and when solicited.

And when we look into the home life, professional service, community interest, and college activity of Mrs. Reavey, we find a like interesting and pleasing record. She is a native of western Massachusetts, born in West Springfield, graduate of Cathedral High School, Springfield, the

Westfield State Teachers' College, and with an LL.B. for study at Springfield Northeastern. In her days at Northeastern, Mrs. Reavey not only paid faithful attention to her studies but was extremely active both in Sigma Nu Upsilon and the other extra-curricula affairs of the Division as a whole. As an alumna, she has always been loyal and was among the members of her class conspicuously interested in the fifth reunion of 1931 at the 1936 Commencement. Mrs. Reavey has been for years, and still is, an active teacher in the Springfield public schools; and to her and her husband, William A. Reavey, goes the joint distinction of being the heads of, and providers for, a happy and well ordered home for seven children, two of whom have already been sent on to college education.

The recent election returns, after a clean but friendly hard fought battle, showed Mr. Clason the victor by a safe but not large margin. Regardless of what the results might have been, Northeastern would have been satisfied. We could not lose.

### THE PAPERS TELL US

Yes, the papers tell us, and others, that our alumni and undergraduates are no small part of the active and worth while life of the Connecticut Valley; and even of communities still farther west beyond the setting sun. Much of what we read is not news to those who knew our sons and daughters in college days here because they were known as folks of heart and character, but if we were to keep track of their records of achievement, we would have to scan the papers much more closely than did the late Will Rogers.

We note that down in the "nutmeg" state, Ralph C. Jandreau '27 of Thompsonville has recently been elected to the Connecticut State Legislature and that James W. Hayden, '29, of the same community, has just been returned as Judge of Probate. Another local N. U. politico returned to the scene of his duties, likewise

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## Davis Leaves, Wight Comes

51 people constitute the faculty and administrative staff of the Springfield Division of the University. Students recite in the evening. There ends the chief distinction between Springfield Northeastern students and those who recite in other colleges. Our 51 faculty members know only one standard—that which obtains in reputable institutions of learning regardless of hours of the day when students recite. We have to be good because they are good.

Fortunately they are not only good, but the large majority of them serve us for many years. One of these has been Donald W. Davis, since 1922 instructor in Advertising, but changes do come. Mr. Davis left us this fall to devote his full

time to teaching, going to the faculty of Pennsylvania State College where he will continue instructing in the fields which made him well-known to a number of generations of Northeastern students.

The students taking Advertising this year are now well acquainted and well pleased with Mr. Davis's successor, a gentlemanly, efficient man, a graduate of Yale, 1918, where he specialized in American History and Economics and since that time has had extensive experience in advertising and other phases of publicity. In addition to his teaching here, he is advertising manager at the United States Envelope Co. He is a man whom other Northeastern students and alumni will be glad to know.

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## The Student Council at Work

Theoretically, the Student Council as the Executive Committee of the Associated Student Body of the Springfield Division of the University published for many years a Student Handbook. In the handbook, it would have told you it was not only elected by the members of the associated student body and acted as the latter's executive committee but that it was "in charge of elections, celebrations, interclass contests, etc. subject to approval by administrative officers, Board of Governors", but actually more by the alumni advisor to the Student Council. It had a long and worthy history with a number of ups and a number of downs but never any outs. A few years ago, however, it became comparatively inactive and finally ceased to function at all. But we all needed such a spark plug organization. Last year the faculty were requested to recommend people whose judgment, interest, and loyalty would be such as to assure the best interests of the University locally if they were appointed to a student council. These requests were obtained in such a way that they served as a vote. From the faculty

therefore came the present Council in the middle of last year, and by and large it justified, not only last year but again this fall, the faith placed in it by the faculty.

### Freshmen Greeted

We had too many freshmen this fall to get them all together at any one time, but the Council through its president, H. B. Goodrich, '37, and with the assistance of different groups from the Council upon the different occasions, not only welcomed the freshmen to the University, but warned them of its plenty stiff requirements, bespoke exchange and development of friendship, introduced some members of the faculty the Frosh did not know, and regaled them a bit with ice-cream and delicate cookies.

The Associated Student Body greetings were extended to Law and Law & Business freshmen after their October 14th classes; Accounting and Management frosh were welcomed on the 15th and the Engineering and Business neophytes were greeted on the 19th. We understand the Council has in mind a real get-together

for all freshmen some time in the near future on an evening when there are no classes and when there'll be an opportunity perhaps to trip the light fantastic toe.

### Seniors Invited

Last Saturday evening a real party of dancing, cards, and refreshments was provided for the men and women who hope to get their sheepskins in 1937, provided for them and their men and women. On this occasion, the Council as a whole with ladies and gentlemen of its choice were to have been hosts to the seniors and their guests.

Well, the party was pulled off in the Association assembly hall. The music there, the cards were there, the refreshments were there, and much more than plenty for all because a large number, both Council and Seniors and their guests, must have been somewhere else. In other words, something went haywire. Perhaps invitations didn't get out early enough; perhaps this, perhaps that.

But the fact that more were not present, even though the invitations may have been too close to the affair itself, shows that there is a real need for the reason for which the affair was planned; namely, that our students as they have been going through Northeastern in years past have not had enough occasions of a pleasant and social nature to make them realize what a fine fellowship is theirs but for the asking. You see, man is a social animal and what one may learn by classroom is not enough for most of us if we would both succeed and enjoy life to the full in the years afterward.

"College days and friendships we'll recall" is a potent force in the life of after years. Degrees, class organizations, undergraduate and alumni functions, have little relation to classroom labors. But we've a hunch the extra four to five thousand dollars a year spent to make sure we take after classroom days some of these possessions are spent because they're valuable to us. Here's hoping the Seniors, and some of the rest of us, get another chance for an N. U. breakdown.

### "Y" Membership Privileges

There is a large element of fun, and not a small amount of health, for the student who plans his time so that he occasionally tramps our nearby hills and valleys, goes away for a week-end on a fishing trip, or right here at home takes a plunge in the pool or breaks the sweat on the gym floor. The Central Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association gives husky N. U. males who wish the privilege an opportunity for full physical department activities at a very special membership rate by virtue of the fact that they are Northeastern students, provided their membership comes through the N. U. Student Council.

Emanuel Tesoro, '40, is chairman of the Council "Y" Membership Committee. He and other Council members on his committee will put you through the works, giving you full privileges from now until next July for \$6.00. The University pays \$2.00 more. This is something less than half the membership rate and the chance to use it is handy; so are Tesoro and his committee. The office will tell you anytime how to locate them.

### Wiesle Lectures, Students Sing

Back in the last days of activity of the old Student Councils a member expressed the desire that when the day came that there was money available there might be frequent gatherings after class which should at once be social and intellectual. Last year this wish came to fruition through the Council. There has been one such affair this year for the whole student body after classes on Friday, October 23. Professor Ernest Wiesle, Springfield College spoke to the A. S. B. upon the subject "Modern Youth". He was good, his talk was good, and we liked both.

Calvert Stein, '38, was chairman of the Council committee that brought us Dr. Wiesle. Calvert, who is also a doc in his own right, provided other good medicine that evening. He brought in a lady who sang and a lady who played and both of whom could lead singing and

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## Thanksgiving, 1917

The morning was extraordinary still. It was the kind of quiet, Neil thought, that comes either just before or just after some tumultuous occasion. He wondered which it meant this time; whether something had happened, or was going to happen. Both probably. It was almost time for the squad to return.

He looked at the sleeping German soldier beside him on the dirt floor of the church cellar. He must have been tired to sleep like that. Neil stretched and yawned noisily. He hadn't had too much sleep himself, being on guard duty more than half the night. What made prisoners get caught at such inopportune times? But all in all guard duty was rather a soft job. He only had to keep a prisoner from escaping. And such a prisoner! He hadn't realized that German soldiers came like that, so young.

The prisoner rolled over, struck his head against Neil's boot, and woke up. "Good morning," Neil greeted him. "Or Auf Wiedersehen, or whatever you call it."

The prisoner yawned. A slow smile caught at his mouth. "Good morning," he said clearly.

Neil sighed. "Well, Fritz," he grinned, "that's swell. So you know English."

The boy rolled over and sat up. "Ya," he answered. "I speak some English. I was at school in London when the war—". He grinned apologetically.

Neil handed him a cigarette. "How's it feel to be a prisoner?"

The boy's eyes clouded suddenly. He studied the toe of his boot. When he looked up, there was a suggestion of fear across his face. "It feels lonesome," he said. "I wish I knew what is to happen to me. I am ashamed to have been captured. I am not a very fine soldier, perhaps."

Neil chuckled. "Nobody's going to hurt you. You don't even have to hang around here long. We're moving up this afternoon, clearing out of this village. They'll send somebody back of the lines

with you to the prison camp. Then you won't be lonesome, Fritz. There's lots of Germans there. And food. You'll get plenty to eat, for a change."

"I am not afraid of what is to happen," the boy answered. "Only I promised mother no harm would become of me. She did not want me to enlist." A dull red flush covered his face and neck. "She will be ashamed for me. Only three days I am a soldier, and I get captured."

Neil was embarrassed. "That's all right, kid," he said roughly. "Maybe you'll get swapped back for some of our boys. You're awfully young to be a soldier, aren't you?"

The boy threw back his shoulders. "I'm seventeen."

Carefully, Neil drew a pattern in the dirt with his heel. Funny, he decided. This soldier, this youngster, was a German. And Germans were enemies. You hated them when you loaded your gun. You cursed them when you pulled the trigger. You prayed that your bullet would kill one of them every time you shot. Nothing could be bad enough for Germans. They were the enemy. That is, until you met one of them—like this kid. Then it was different. You couldn't hate a youngster. You didn't want to kill him when you had him here, alone, and could.

"Are you hungry?" the boy asked.

Neil nodded. It was two hours since the rest of the squad had eaten and marched away. "Are you?"

The boy shook his head. "Not very. They do not feed prisoners, do they?"

"Sure they do," Neil laughed. "Why not? We've got a good army. We don't use German tricks."

A white line traced itself around the German's mouth. "We feed our prisoners, also," he said between his teeth.

"Soon's you're ready," Neil informed him, "we'll go after grub. Today's a holiday for us Yanks. Ever here about Thanksgiving? Well, that's today. And



are we celebrating! Say, we're doing up the season. Yesterday, a whole new mess of supplies came up with the kitchen. Wine, coffee, fresh bread, only a week old, and some of the fellows got cakes sent from home. Can you beat it? Cake, in the army. And for a real Thanksgiving dinner—chicken. Chicken, Fritz. How long since you've had chicken? I thought so, even if you've only been at the front three days. Well, we've got chicken, see? The whole village used to raise them, by the looks. When the people left, one whole hen yard got left behind. So they're savin' us each one. Come on."

The German mistrusted him. He smiled gently. "I can almost smell chicken," he said.

"Almost, nothing," Neil snorted. "You can smell them. Come on. I suppose there is something to be thankful for even in the army, and even if it's only eats. I mean, at home we used to have to figure what we were thankful for, and it couldn't be eats. It had to be something worthwhile, like Mary. Mary's my wife. And she was thankful because I was there. But this year, I guess it's o. k. just to be thankful for eats." He led the way up the stairs, out of the church cellar into the auditorium. At the door the boy hesitated. He stared long at the reredos, at the windows, at the figures about the room. He sighed. Neil shoved him into a pew. A colored soldier left the corner of the room where the temporary kitchen was installed, and handed them each a tin cup half full of luke-warm coffee, half a loaf of bread, and a whole roasted chicken on a piece of shingle. Neil looked triumphantly at the German. "You see?" he challenged, and then, "Cut it out," for there were tears in his companion's eyes.

They ate in silence for a while. Then Neil spoke. "You Germans don't get very good eats, do you?"

The boy glanced at him quickly. "Yes, we do. We eat well," he denied, but his eyes, and the hungry way he ate, betrayed him. Neil chuckled.

"What you fighting for, anyway, you Germans? What made you enlist?"

"For the Fatherland. For the Kaiser. For God. It is necessary that we fight to protect our homes."

"From what?"

"From invading forces. From the world powers which threaten us."

"That's what we fight for."

"Who? Not the Allied Army?"

"Sure. We gotta make the world safe for democracy. We gotta stop invasion. We gotta keep you Germans out of our country."

"We Germans?"

"Sure. Didn't you sink our ship? Didn't you plant spies all over America, and the rest of the countries?"

The boy shrugged. "It is the rest of the countries which planted spies in Germany. The world is against us. They would wipe us out. The Germans are fine people. Ours is a good country. We object to being oppressed and wiped out."

Neil bit his thumb. "I guess you learned wrong. It's the other way around. The Germans got too big ideas. They want to run the world. The boy shook his head vigorously. "I suppose you can't help being born a German," Neil went on. "But if they gave you a choice, wouldn't you be on our side?"

"Nein! Never. I choose the right. The fatherland, God, they are the right. It is worth fighting for."

"They told us," Neil said slowly, "They told us that we were fighting a war to end war. They told us that if we whipped the Germans there couldn't be another war. I wonder if—"

"It is you who heard wrongly," the youngster interrupted. "We, the German army is to end war by fighting this one, if we win. It we do not win, the other nations will continue to make wars. We must win."

"You like war, Fritz?"

"Nein. No. Nobody in our country likes war. It is only the other nations."

"We don't want war either."

"No? Then why do you fight?"

"Why do you fight?"

"For the right, for the—oh, ya, I see. We fight for the same reasons, no? But



one is right. One must be right."

"Fritz, you hate French and British and Americans, and all the other Allies, don't you?"

"The army, yes, I hate them. All Germans hate them. They are a cruel force."

"Look, Fritz, how about me. I'm part of that army. Do you hate me?"

"You? Nein. You would make a good German."

Neil laughed. "I was thinking you'd make a good Yank."

The boy was puzzled. "Me? An enemy? Maybe—then there isn't any use in—", but Neil did not hear him. The squad was returning to the village. Neil and his prisoner walked to the church door to watch them come. There was a lot of shouting and commotion.

"Well," Neil told the German, "it's time to say goodbye. They'll be taking you back of the lines in a few minutes. We're moving forward right away. Funny, I sorta like you. I wish you were coming along with us." The faint booming of guns began in the distance. "There go your countrymen again, shooting my countrymen. Some fun, Fritz."

A small line of soldiers formed across the courtyard. "There's your bodyguard getting ready," Neil pointed out. "Be good. Have a good time, and forget about our soldiers being cruel. I guess we aren't so different, after all."

"Ya," nodded the prisoner. "There is one good enemy soldier. I hope we do not kill you."

"Or my friends?"

"Or your friends."

"Same to you and yours. I guess that about ends the war."

For a while after the prisoner left Neil was in a sullen mood. He could not get the young German out of his mind. How could it be fair to kill boys like him? Probably there were more of them just like him out where the guns were booming. Germans weren't so different after all. Maybe Mary was right. Maybe refusing to fight was the only way to make

peace. And how could a war end a war?

The squad moved up. It joined the front line. It went into action that same Thanksgiving evening.

Neil saw his comrades fall, screaming. Enemy fire. Germans were enemies. He hated them when he loaded his gun. He cursed them when he pulled the trigger. He prayed that his bullet would kill one of them every time he shot. —Then he remembered Fritz, the youngster, like all the other German youngsters. "I hope we do not kill you," he had said. "Or your friends." And he had hoped the same for Fritz.

And he had at least the momentary satisfaction of laying down his gun just before he, too, fell screaming.

## LATE NEWS FLASHES

The only academic-professional association among the student body of our Division of the University is the Applied Science Society, open to certain properly registered students in Engineering and Business. If you want the advantages of joining, see its president, C. V. Sisson, '36, or some of its members. But at any time avail yourself of certain lectures it offers to the student body. By the time you read this we hope you will have enjoyed its very special meeting scheduled for Saturday evening, November 14 in the Y. M. C. A. assembly hall.

Flash number two tells us as we get ready for press, Sigma Nu Upsilon will have its initiation and banquet at the Stonehaven, Saturday, November 14 for a new delegation of Springfield Northeastern women. God bless them. We poor males are rooting for 'em.

## S. C. at Work

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there were plenty of song sheets and there was plenty of singing and there was also plenty of refreshments and everybody had a plenty good time.

Be seeing you at the next A. S. B. conclave the Council pulls off!

**The Papers Tell Us**

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of the class of 1928, is Representative Ralph V. Clampit, just reelected to service at Beacon Hill. And then, almost too late for this issue of the Nor-easter, comes the news that Edward Hugh Kane, just graduated from the School of Law in the class of 1936, has been appointed Trial Justice out Ludlow way.

To the class of '22, it will be news to many that Marsden W. Longden, for a number of years in the government internal revenue department and resident in Saginaw, Michigan, was recently in town.

To the class of '26, we can announce that John W. West now hangs his hat somewhere in California and that from the papers a while back, we noticed that Irving C. Jacobs, president of '26, was back from Sydney, N. S. W. for a conference period at the Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co. home offices.

**Editor's note.** There is plenty of "news on N. U.'s". We'd like to have everyone leave all news on N. U.'s which comes to their attention at the Office for the Nor'-easter staff; and incidentally would hope to find from these voluntary reporters a few more members for the staff.



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## A Prayer at Christmas, 1938

Prince of Peace, in a world disturbed and injured by war, Noble Member of a race execrated by millions of another race who acknowledge Thee as Lord and Master, Author of the profound thought, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you do ye even so unto them," we pause in intellectual confusion and spiritual turmoil to contemplate the significance of Thy advent while looking for the gladsome cause for joy and gifts which so commonly celebrate Thy birthday.

Reasons for soreness of spirit have been with the human race since and before Thy brethren came out of Egypt. On the other hand, since the early days of the recorded history of man, we know that there have been occasions for the dance and sounding of the timbal; always the hope of future pleasure, of joy and celebration after strife overcome and work well done, has animated the minds of men and they have been able ever and anon to forget and to pull away from the sorrows of existence. Ever the good gifts of life have brought its bookkeeping to a favorable balance.

We thank Thee at this Christmas season for the hope of joy; and the reasonable certainty, judged by the experience of the past, that the trials of the day will give place to the joys of the morrow. We of America especially thank Thee that we have learned to face our problems, even face our differences, without strife. We thank Thee for a reasonable adequacy of employment and the chance for hard and constructive work. We are grateful for the boon of education, friendship, free speech, protection of life and property, and many of the simple joys of life.

Now as we face a new Christmas and holiday season with a preponderance of joy in our hearts and the desire to give again renewed within us; as we rush to our purchases, tin foil, and wrappings; yes, even as we pre-view the bills that will greet us after New Year's; may we give in joyous requital for all the varied gifts that have been, and are, and will be ours from the storehouse of the Lord. Amen.

John D. Churchill, Director





# Today Was My Brother's Birthday

By Alice Martha Davis

Today was unlike other days. It was my brother's birthday.

Early this morning my mother awoke me. With her finger against her lips, she whispered, "Sh-h. Don't disturb the others. I want you to go on an errand for me. Will you?"

I nodded my head vigorously. For my mother I should walk to the edge of the earth, and beyond if she wished it. She explained the errand while I drank the cup of warm milk she set before me. I was to go to the house of the army officer to make a collection, and on the way home I was to stop in the town to ask the miller if he could spare us another sack of flour to apply against the work my brother and I had done on his front door.

Today was the first time I had been sent to make a collection alone. My heart pounded with pride. It is a long way to the army officer's house, and it seemed longer today than ever because I was alone. Always before I had had my brother who talked with me on the way.

The house of the army officer is set high upon a hill. In our country, army officers are wealthy people, and their homes are magnificent. There was a great deal of confusion in the courtyard when I at last arrived. When I found one of the servants who would stand still long enough to be questioned I asked if I might speak to the army officer. Usually it is a difficult task to persuade a servant to take a collector, even a young one, in to see the master, but today was unlike other days and I was taken into the house without delay.

The officer looked down his nose at me when I explained my errand. He laughed a lot while he talked and I knew he was not angry in spite of the things he said.

"Why do they send you?" he wanted to know. "Can it be that the eldest boy has grown too old to work? Or is he so busy studying books he hasn't time for

making collections? Or does he stay at home with his tools and pieces of wood and let the little brother chase after the money? What a funny lot of creatures you Jews are. Struggling to exist—and what an existence! Of course I'll pay your bill. I don't deprive the poor of what is due them. Even if they do allow their children to learn how to read and write when they had better be at work. Though your brother works enough for two men, I grant you. Here's your money, lad, and here take this home to your brother. It's a candle for his birthday. Today is my son's birthday too and he had many candles, so he can easily spare one for the little Jew carpenter."

I clutched the bag of coins in one hand, tucked the toy soldier under my arm and called a hasty, mumbled thank-you over my shoulder. I had learned much from the army officer.

So birthdays were times of celebration! I had not known that. I was sure none of my brothers knew it. Perhaps my mother knew. Strange she should not have told. And then I understood. Of course she would not mention it. Celebrations were for the rich. We were poor. The poor, and perhaps especially the Jews, did not celebrate birthdays with decorations and holidays and gifts.

I also knew why my mother had sent me to collect a bill. It was her way of celebrating. She wanted enough to eat for supper on this unusual day. My errand grew in importance. I was helping my brother celebrate his birthday. Tonight there would be enough to eat. There would be enough, and perhaps something left over, even after the little ones were satisfied. I wished there were something I could do for my brother. I looked enviously at the candle, and wished it were mine to give. But what can an eleven year old boy do for his brother's birthday?

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# A Freshman at the Reception

By Erwin R. Schott '44

"Come to the freshman reception," "Boys, bring the girls", "Girls, bring the boys", "Meet the queen", "Get acquainted at the reception", "Let's all be at Storrowtown on October 29". These messages on posters tacked up in conspicuous places about the corridors of our school, stimulated my desire to attend the party.

My problem was: where could I find a girl friend?

One evening, Mr. Swanson, the student councillor in charge of publicity and tickets, spoke to us while we freshmen were enjoying our classes. He stressed the fact that the Student Council earnestly wanted every freshman to be present at the Reception.

"All freshmen"—I concluded that this meant me, too—girl friend or no girl friend.

So, at 7:45 P. M. on October 29, I arrived, a stag, at the huge doors of the barn at Storrowtown. I was greeted by the beaming faces of Student Councillors, who accepted my ticket.

After removing my wraps, I explored the barn. Rather a suitable place for a Hallowe'en party, thought I; but where were the cows, the horses, the chickens, the hay, and the farm implements.

As I glanced about the barn and noticed its spaciousness, I was tempted to climb over those low-hanging supports, and up that ladder—"Look at that yoke for oxen; I wonder who last used that."

My attention was drawn to a rumble and a clatter in one corner of the barn—the orchestra was arriving.

Seating myself on the park bench nearest the arrivals, I sought to obtain some information on how to tune up an orchestra.

That little drummer with the big cigar warmed up his instruments with a tip, a tap, and a clang clang. The pianist exercised his fingers on the piano keys. The saxaphonist "boop booped" the scale. The

clarinetist tried to drown him out. And the singer sang "mi, mi", before the microphone to test the quality of the amplifier.

About this time an alumnus and his girl friend from the Student Council seated themselves beside me, and in a very congenial manner inquired into my past and future. "What course are you taking?" "How do you like school?" "What are you planning to be?", and "Where are all the other freshmen?", were some of the questions they asked me. I could not answer the last question. True enough, up to this moment there were no other freshmen in the barn.

The orchestra started to play.

As if lured by the strains of melody, freshmen and escorts, and escorts and freshmen came streaming thru the open barn doors.

Soon the barn took on a more jolly atmosphere, and the floor warmed to the friction of dancing feet.

In the course of the evening I was presented to other members of the Student Council. Giving the freshmen a real reception seemed to be the uppermost thought in their minds. They radiated congeniality.

At about 9:30 I ascended to the balcony where I joined the other stags who were getting a bird's eye view of the party.

We noticed the atmosphere of friendliness which was advertised by contented faces. We also observed the newer dance steps.

One couple especially stood out. Their step consisted of a series of hops with an occasional flip of the feet—first the right, and then the left. They seemed to be getting enough exercise.

Director John D. Churchill greeted the freshmen. Many of us had the same thought when he expressed his desire to be with the queen of Love and Beauty as long as possible after the dance.



CANDID CAMERA SHOTS AT THE FROSH RECEPTION

The next dance was a "cut in" dance. We stags determined to find the queen if she were to be found, and were thus enveloped in the crowd.

"What's that—a sign with an arrow pointing to the queen?" "Let's swing it, partner—this way." But, alas, these signs proved to be merely a novelty of the evening. There were several of them—all pointed to the queen; but none read, "The Queen." "Shattering our hopes this way"

—"Oh well—"

"Did someone say, 'cider and doughnuts'?" "Yes, sir, right in the back room." No one resisted this call.

While we were exchanging opinions on the quality of the refreshments, there appeared in the barn a bit of farm atmosphere—a bit of "hick-ish-ness."

The character was a tall slim man with a black leather cap and jacket, and dark gray unpressed trousers. His black work



## Further Impressions

By J. Royb

Experience teaches! I expected to have these impressions completed for the last issue of the *Nor'easter*, but the hour grew late and there was studying to be done. Resolved not to make the same mistake, this time I have finished my studying first.

I had recorded my impressions up to the ringing of the warning bell for assembly of classes. I found the room where my first class was to be held, and upon entering was amazed at the large number of students already gathered there. More students kept entering. I counted forty-two. The final bell for class rang. Students continued to come in. Then the instructor entered. As he began to read the roll-call the hum and buzz of voices quieted down. He stumbled over the pronunciation of a few of the names. The total number of that class finally reached into the sixties.

"How can one man handle such a large group effectively?" I asked myself, yet knowing it was but one of the big faults of our educational system. For instance, the average class-room of today contains about thirty-five students. Those that might be able to make rapid progress are held back by a few that make very slow progress; there is little chance for individual attention; the student that is shy will shrink from asking questions or from voluntary recitation and let the more forward pupil express himself.

The most ideal teaching system which has come to my attention is one followed at Philip Andover Academy. Here, there is, on an average, one instructor for every nine boys; and they hold class through a sort of round-table discussion, led by the instructor; if the weather is favorable, the instructor will take his group out to a shady spot on the lawn and continue his class; any question relating to school affairs means a debate with some of the students participating.

But this has nothing to do with impres-

sions at Northeastern! At eight o'clock the bell rang for a welcome five-minute respite. Cigarettes and pipes seemed of major importance. Guess most of the people today have decided that they may as well smoke here as in the hereafter!

Back at class I noticed the effect from the lights. Couldn't quite decide whether it was the lighting system that caused my eyes to blink or whether it was the reflected glare of the lights from the shiny page of my textbook.

At nine o'clock the final bell rang and my first evening as a student at a University was completed. After battling my way through the congested corridors, I finally was back on Chestnut Street and headed homeward, glad to consider myself again a student.

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## Freshman Reception

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shoes were unpolished. As he sauntered here and there with knees slightly bent, he held his coat open with his arms—his thumbs linked in his belt. Prominently displayed at his waist, against the rough gray background of his work shirt, was a black holster with a revolver in it. His self-assured demeanor, intensified by the curved pipe which hung precariously from the side of his mouth, suggested, "Don't try any funny business—I'm here."

The sight was refreshing.

I no longer missed the hay and livestock.

Soon the party ended. Old friends, and new friends bid each other goodbye. "So long," "Goodbye," "I'm glad to have met you," and "When you see me in school, say hello," were some of the parting remarks.

My feeling of satisfaction over this pleasant evening of get-together was heightened when a newly-found friend went out of his way to take me home.

As we rode we reflected on the earnest endeavor the Student Council had made, to give the freshmen a reception which they would all remember.

## My Brother's Birthday

(From Page 3)

All at once I knew. I could help my brother in the carpenter shop. Not occasionally, but every day. Then my brother would have more time for reading the books from the synagogue. It would be a fine gift—and it would last longer than the candle.

My brother was at home when I returned. He was helping my mother make loaves of bread. I presented her with the bag of coins and the sack of flour. She put her arm across my shoulders and looked at my brother. "See what James has done," she said, "He has made two fine collections." I was very proud.

I took my brother aside and gave him the candle. He took it from me and put it high up on a shelf in the carpenter shop.

"It is fine to have a birthday gift," he told me, "But birthdays are not for gifts. Birthdays start you on a new year in which you can do things for others to make them glad you are alive. Every year I try. Sometime I shall do things for people."

I told him how I planned to help him in the shop. He was pleased, although he did not say anything, and I knew I had pleased him more than the candle had.

My mother called us all to supper. She had a place set at the head of the table. No one had sat there since my father died. She took my brother's hand and led him to my father's place. "This is your place," she said. "You're a man, my son, and the head of the family. Now that you are thirteen your place is at the head of the table."

My brother is a fine lad to have for the head of my family. I am very proud of him. There is no one like my brother. He is clever with his hands. He understands things my mother and I do not. He is kind. I hope that some day he will have a real celebration on his birthday. I hope some day he will be famous. I should like it if the whole country would know how fine a lad is Jesus of Nazareth.

## Student Aid

The problem arises annually of students withdrawing from Northeastern because of failure to meet tuition payments.

In some cases students have lost the job that they were depending on. Others have the family sickness problem. A few become involved with instalment payments on car, radio or insurance.

Examples might be multiplied, but those cited are sufficient for an approach.

Probably many students have withdrawn or reduced their schedules rather than obtain a loan and probably some did not know about the loan service available in the **Student Aid Fund**.

Over a period of years this fund has gradually accumulated to the point where it can be of real benefit to students.

A Student Council Finance Committee has accordingly been appointed and is working on a plan for administering this fund which should be acceptable to both students and university. Further details are to appear later.

In the meantime the Council suggests that if any student is confronted with the problem of meeting his third or fourth tuition payments when due, he confer with either Mr. Bowen or Mr. Blodgett. They are glad to be of service.

Carl J. Larson,  
Chairman, Finance Committee,  
Student Council

## Class Organizations

Under the able leadership of John P. Gaffrey, Jr., '42, Chairman of the Class organization committee of the Student Council, and the splendid cooperation of his committee members, J. W. Bulkley, E. F. Jenness, R. A. Lambert, F. E. Hegarty, all the classes will be assisted this school year in their organization.

One of our greatest obstacles is finding time to have extra-curricular activities. It is a rare student who doesn't realize this fact. The Student Council fully realizes



## We Have the Winter

By Jeanette Berman '39

Murder

Hate

And Blackness are alive in the world  
And only dead men remain apart from  
these living flames.

But there must be a respite  
And a place to look once more upon the  
face of Truth and Beauty

And the beneficence of a divine nature  
has granted us refuge and consolation

Winter has come

Dormant, Calm and Cold

Wrapping her majestic mantle about all  
the earth.

Lake and pond, tree and bush, all growth  
and soil lie hidden.

Cloaked in a gleaming protecting blanket  
which has swathed all in ice and snow.

Life is renewing itself from the clear cold  
draught that winter offers to quench  
her thirst.

The grandeur of eternity lies mirrored in  
winter

In the snow covered hills and frozen  
wastes.

Here—is the Quiet that sings a song of  
intolerable beauty—

Of true understanding that comes with  
the cession of all sounds and all  
activity.

And when the wounds of man's world  
can no longer be borne

The burn and sting and sweetness of  
death are here

All in and of winter.

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this point but urges that, as each class is  
called to a meeting, each student make  
plans to spend fifteen or twenty minutes  
at that called meeting.

This year it is important to have class  
officers elected or re-elected as the records  
are at present inadequate.

So Cheerio, old toppers! Get organized  
and perhaps the classes can arrange—well  
bowling? or a dance?

## War of the Worlds

By Royb, Class '44

Remember, a short time ago, the furore  
and excitement that prevailed, all because  
of a radio presentation of H. G. Well's  
"War of the Worlds"?

Without doubt, you read the newspaper  
accounts of the terror this play gave to a  
multitude of listeners; that one woman,  
dashing downstairs in an effort to seek  
safe refuge from the attacking men from  
Mars, fell and broke her arm, that other  
persons fainted; that hundreds telephoned  
inquiring if there was immediate danger;  
and the various other incidents resulting  
from so-called "mass hysteria".

I was not among those who listened-in  
on that program, but I have read the story  
and think that possibly you might be  
interested in learning a little more about  
these "Men from Mars" that attacked  
Earth.

The majority of people think of men  
from Mars—if there are such individuals  
—as being similar to the human beings  
that inhabit this planet. A professor at  
Harvard even came forth with the state-  
ment that "man could not live on Mars,  
because of the rarified atmosphere and the  
climatic condition existing there."

And a good many people, after reading  
the newspaper articles, would not give  
such a tale the slightest chance of ever  
actually occurring. To this class of people,  
however, even the world in which they  
exist has limited horizons. The word  
"Peru" is familiar to them, of course, but  
they haven't the slightest idea where it is  
located, or what type of people live there.  
And existing in their own small world,  
they ridicule the idea that life can exist  
on other planets; and when they heard of  
"Men from Mars" they exclaimed, "Mere  
fiction!" "Absurd and impossible!" "Too  
fantastic!"

Such were the comments! Robert Fulton  
heard the same cries when he broached,  
for the first time, the principles of the  
steamboat; Alexander Bell became used to

such phrases when he first attempted to interest a group of financiers in his discovery of the telephone; the Wright Brothers were familiar with them; and all through the history of progress similar examples may be found.

The story, "War of the Worlds" is a science-fiction tale; purely imaginary and not based on positive fact. Yet—who knows? If Earth, one of various, known, existing planets is inhabited, how can we be absolutely certain that there is not some form of life existing on some other planet—perhaps some form or shape with which we are entirely unfamiliar? Such, for instance, as described in the imaginative tale, *War of the Worlds*, written by Mr. H. G. Wells.

Here is the gist of the story: Mars is a planet revolving around the sun at a mean distance of 140,000,000 miles. Being so much more distant from the sun than our own planet, it receives only about one half the heat and light that Earth does. If the nebular hypothesis has any truth, it must be much older than our world, and long before this earth ceased to be molten, life must have begun on Mars. The planet is now nearing a stage of exhaustion—and here we have the plot of the story. The creatures on Mars, realizing their predicament, gazed with envious eyes toward Earth, a planet 35,000,000 miles sunward of them, with a sufficiency of water and forests and fertile land. And so, at intervals, they despatched ten rocket ships containing Martians, with the idea to conquer Earth for their own use.

Eventually, the first ship reached Earth. It landed in England, and the people gathered around the peculiar cylinder-shaped object embedded into the earth. They thought it was a meteorite. There was movement inside, however, and after a certain amount of tapping and hammering, an opening appeared. What came forth was not a man-like creature, as most people expected. First a pair of tentacular appendages made their appearance, followed by a greyish, rounded bulk the size

of a bear. It was the most unearthly creature possible—a huge, round head about four feet in diameter, skin leathery-like and glistening; two large dark-colored eyes; no nose; lipless, but with a saliva-dripping mouth; it was a head that appeared to be all nerves; there was one ear situated in the back of this greyish mass of a creature; in the place of hands, there were two groups of slender whip-like tentacles, one on each side of the mouth, eight tentacles in each group; it had no digestive apparatus and its food was the fresh blood of living creatures that was injected into the recipient canal with a pipette; it had no sex and originated from a budding-off process similar to that of a fresh-water polyps. Such were the Martians.

They engaged in the construction of huge tripod-like structures, surmounted by a circular headed disk. This contraption, controlled by a Martian concealed in the hooded disk, could move forward with great speed, taking steps and covering one hundred yards at each step. From this vantage point, the Martian used a heat-ray gun very effectively. This heat-ray gun was an instrument that threw forth a ray of great electric force, killing every man it touched upon and setting the woods and buildings afire. Another weapon they used was in the form of black smoke, which was a very poisonous vapour, floating along the ground like a sheet of fog.

To make a long story short, man could do nothing against this invading force. What finally did conquer and vanquish these "men from Mars" were disease bacteria, against which the Martians had no resistance—there being no bacteria on Mars—and thus our planet was saved from destruction.

Such was the tale of "War of the Worlds", so productive of effect on those who happened to tune in when the radio play was in progress. Absurd? Mere fiction? Too fantastic? Who can tell?

Improbable? Yes! Impossible? Time will tell!

## N. U. Football

By Joseph A. Candido '44

The football team of Northeastern University in Boston visited Springfield on two occasions during the season just past, dropping the first game to Springfield College 14-7, and topping A. I. C., 28-12. These games gave local N. U. students an opportunity to see in action a team representing another division of their own University.

A brief description of each game follows:

### Springfield 14, N. U. 7

After being outplayed the first half, the Springfield College Maroons came back in the last half to whip Northeastern University 14-7 at Pratt Field.

The early part of the first quarter was played in Husky territory. Not until Connelly intercepted a pass and ran it back 6 yards to the 40, did the visitors make much progress. Passes from Connelly to Flumere scored the first touchdown of the game. Connelly converted the extra point, putting Northeastern in front 7-0.

Northeastern literally romped all over the field in the second period. Penalties made scoring impossible at crucial moments. Parmalee, Springfield center, intercepted a pass and brought the ball down on the Husky 41-yard line. Johnson and Grimaldi toted the ball to the one-yard line; but Northeastern forward wall withstood the vigorous attack and took possession of the ball. Connelly lateralled to Flumere who fumbled in the end zone; but fell on the pigskin giving Springfield two points.

Johnson returned the kickoff from his own 40 to Northeastern's 33 and here the home-townners lost possession of the ball on downs. A punt and a runback of 8 yards put Springfield on the Huskies' 44-yard line. From this point Johnson, twisting, pivoting, and reversing his field, eluded several tacklers to put Springfield in front 8-7.

Northeastern attempted to regain the lead through its aerial attack only to have a pass intercepted by Baruno on the 40 who ran it back to the 20-yard line. Oper-deck slashed through tackle to the Husky one-yard line and Solomon smashed through center to score 6 more points for the Maroons.

Again the Huskies tried desperately to score, but lost the ball on downs. As the game drew to a close, it appeared that Springfield might score again for they drove through to Northeastern's one-yard line, only to hear the final gun shot of the game. Score: Springfield 14, Northeastern 7.

The writer thanks the Publicity Department of Springfield College for its consideration in furnishing lineup material.

### N. U. 28, A. I. C. 12

The second visit to Springfield proved to be an enjoyable one for the Northeastern grid squad for they trounced American International College 28-12 in a nocturnal tilt at Pynchon Park. This was a benefit game for the South End Boys' Club.

Jim Connelly's name will be remembered on the A. I. C. campus, for he engineered four touchdowns, scoring one himself.

A. I. C. kicked off to Northeastern. While running back a punt, Hanna of A. I. C. made a bad lateral which was recovered by Connelly on the International 20-yard line. Connelly's terrific smashes placed the ball on the 6-yard line and a pass scored the first touchdown, Connelly converting the extra point.

A partially blocked Husky kick placed A. I. C. on the visitor's 35-yard stripe. Combinations of laterals and forward passes put A. I. C. in scoring position on the 4-yard line where Ropulewis hit the line for 6 points.

Northeastern backs lugged the ball from their 30 across the A. I. C. goal line for another touchdown. Connelly made good his kick and put the Huskies in front 14-6.

At the beginning of the third quarter  
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## Nor'easter Advertising

Funds for publication of the Nor'easter now come directly from the student treasury. As this is an added expense another source of income has been suggested: advertising. By advertising the Nor'easter can become, in part, at least, a self-supporting activity.

The student body will profit, for more funds can be used to provide other student activities. An attempt may be made to connect the advertising course with this new objective; thereby giving students first hand information on some phases of advertising methods.

The rates will be reasonable, of course. No advertisement will be permitted unless it may reasonably bring a proportionate business return to the advertiser.

Students who know of some prospect who wishes to advertise with the Nor'easter should leave his name and address with any staff member or in the office.

Director John D. Churchill has suggested that it would be particularly desirable for the Nor'easter to publish advertising of Northeastern graduates or students engaged in business.

Joseph A. Candido '44 is the prime mover behind the plan.

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A. I. C. tacklers hit Cannava, Husky back, so hard that he fumbled, A. I. C. recovering on the Northeastern 31. Bus Hanna heaved a beautiful pass to Ropulewis who scored, cutting down the lead. but North-eastern turned on the power, driving 60 yards for a score, and making good the kick. In the fourth period the Huskies advantageously used the slight grade at Pyncheon Park by smashing the left side of the A. I. C. line for another touchdown. Connelly split the uprights giving North-eastern a 28-12 victory.

## Repertory Players

The Springfield Repertory Players opened their 1938-39 subscription season November 14 with Jacques Deval's prize winning comedy, "Tovarich". Newspaper critics were lavish in their praise of this organization which is giving Springfield playgoers an opportunity to see three of last season's outstanding hits and a musical comedy by Jerome Kern and at the same time contribute to a worthwhile charity. At the end of the season, the Repertory Players are to contribute a percentage of their net profit to the Springfield Girls' Club Building Fund.

This marks the first year the Repertory Players have used the subscription method of building up an audience and it netted them nearly one thousand members. Management principles learned at North-eastern by the Repertory business manager, John Gaffney, Jr., played a large part in organizing a successful campaign.

The other plays in the series are "Excursion", by Victor Wolfson, one of the ten best plays of 1937; "The Ghost of Yankee Doodle", by Sidney Howard, which served Ethel Barrymore as a comeback vehicle in New York early this year; "Oh, Boy", by Jerome Kern, the author of many well known musical comedies. All the plays are under the direction of Robert F. Day, whose productions for the Kiwanis Cub have earned him a wide reputation. Because of the popularity of the subscription ticket, only a limited number of door tickets will be on sale for individual plays. Tickets for the rest of the series are on sale at Steinert's music store or may be obtained from John Gaffney, '42.

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## Middlebury Makes a Deal

Miss M. A. Dame  
cor. 1st Ave.  
Sumburg, Mass.

Dear Miss Dame:

Mrs. M. A. Dame is your mother as you are unquestionably aware and I should not call the matter to your attention except that Christmas is rapidly approaching and hers should be merry, happy, and cheerful as was my Thanksgiving due to your father's Willys Knight, but she has moved, leaving you my only available means of contact, address being unknown otherwise.

Please find herein enclosed and kindly forward one signed and properly made out check for the sum of fifty (50) dollars (\$), for which is hereinafter furnished an explanation which should allay all fears and re-establish your conviction that your mother is not the type of woman who accepts money from gentlemen strangers without reason, as I am.

Whereas explanation.

Two days prior and previous to our annual 24-hour period which has elapsed some two or three weeks ago in which all citizens and residents partake of much food and then give thanks for many blessings, I met your mother, due to the intervention of a gas man, who filled my tank and engaged me in conversation while busy with the windshield. Having heard thereby of your mother and being ever anxious to take advantage of a bargain in spite of no money in my pocket, I drove around the corner in the snow to ring her door bell after becoming stuck in her snow drift and surrounded by the scrapings off a snowplow.

She, your mother, Mrs. M. A. Dame, is a very fine woman although a little near sighted even in the light cast upon us by her hall and the city's street light, because she persistently referred to me as young man, whereas it is readily noted that your writer is not same, having been allowed the prerogative of marking ballots at the polls for some three years.

Other extraneous facts are perhaps familiar to you, being in the family, and aware of your paternal parent's possession of a fine Willys Knight and parts before his decease, which he kept in good condition and never allowed to exceed 30 miles per. h. This was self-evident to a connoisseur of automobiles which even I am not, but noticed on brief observation of above mentioned Willys Knight which your mother wanted to sell quickly for cash, apparently irrespective of amount since same transferred legally in brief space of time for \$50. in spite of insistence from me that to her the car should be worth \$100., but to me only half, for all I had was \$35.00 and the rent which she was eager to take and I went home after, returned with, and obtained possession of car for after parting.

So there I was with two cars, but one in the snow and later frozen, and the other, with parts stored in the cellar requiring four trips from thence to my residence, including spark plugs, bumpers, running boards, seats, doors, pistons, gears, carburetor and a rear-view mirror, which were a surprise and not bargained for but included under the \$50.00. My conscience spoke sharply to me and I believed myself unwittingly the subject of a raw deal and your mother the object but she did not listen being glad to get the cash and clean out her cellar so she could move as she has and I don't know where, so am sending \$50. check to you.

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## River Rouge

By Kenneth Abbe '44

A gray haze gave way to interminable miles of corn. Flat land, squatty buildings, and corn. What was wrong here? A New Englander bumping along in a gray haze of flat-land and corn? I had not decided whether I was awake or asleep, when I felt a tug at my blanket, and a cheerful voice called "Detroit in half an hour, Suh." That explained my nightmare of corn. I would soon be in Detroit, "the Home of the Automobile Industry".

Grudgingly, I munched my breakfast of bacon and eggs, eager for the day. Michigan Boulevard was just another street to travel. Impressive although it was, the Administration Building seemed needless red-tape. But at last, passes in hand, we entered "Gate 4", and I found myself in the heart of the River Rouge Plant of the Ford Motor Company.

The Rouge Plant, as it is familiarly called, covers nearly 1100 acres. 1100 acres of industrial development, erected to Progress, and dedicated to the principle that Industry is the back-bone of sensible, contented living.

Within the boundaries of this great plant are more than 90 miles of railroad tracks. Its power comes from the world's

largest steam generating plant. It uses in a single day 538,000,000 gallons of water—more than the combined cities of Detroit, Cincinnati, and Washington. It has a mile and one third of docks.

Up to one of these docks glided a giant ship, laden with iron ore. This was one of the many ships owned by the Ford Motor Company, and operated every day of the navigating season, bringing in raw materials from all of the corners of the Earth. Impatient for the immense crane, whose every bite removed fifteen tons of ore from the hold, I hurried on ahead to the blast furnaces.

There, the furnaces charged with ore, coke, and limestone, create pig iron, which, refined and processed into steel in open hearth furnaces, eventually becomes the car we so proudly own.

From the open hearth furnaces, the steel may take one of two courses. It may be sent in a molten state directly to the foundry where it is poured into molds—or it may be poured into ingots, and reheated in a "soaking pit" to the proper temperature for rolling.

I watched with awe, as the ingots were cropped and rolled into slabs. These slabs were then passed between rolls, exerting increasing pressure, constantly reducing the cross-section, and increasing the

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This \$50. check represents the balance of the \$100. she should have had from the car in the first place instead of selling it to me for \$50. as I have now sold it for \$125. including parts which I am also glad to have out of my cellar there being no room to get to the coal bin without climbing through one of the extra doors. The extra \$25. on the resale price is accounted for as follows:

Hauling out and fixing my car from snow drift and unfreezing:	\$19.87
Fixing 1 flat tire on Willys Knight.	1.10
Gasoline used in driving after turkeys for Thanksgiving up in the country	4.00

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Total	24.97
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Which leaves me a profit of .03c which I use for stamp to send the \$50. check to your mother to make her Christmas merry unexpectedly. Please forward and oblige, no thanks being necessary because I had use of Willys Knight during freeze up time of my car and Eloise won't let me keep two cars so I'm off the same way as previously.

To you also a merry Christmas.

Cheerfully yours,  
Middlebury Smith

length, until the slabs become rods, bars, or sheets. From these shapes the working parts of the finished car are fabricated.

I followed a roll of sheet steel to the cutting room where it was cut into required lengths and widths for the Press Shop. In the Press Shop mountains of presses form the "sheet" into top, side, door, hood, and fender shapes. These parts are carried from the presses on a conveyor system. As they move along, operators walk along beside them, spot-welding parts together, adding other parts, and drilling and tapping holes, according to pattern. Always moving on conveyor racks, the body takes form and finally comes to rest upon the chassis in the final assembly line.

Meanwhile, the molten steel had been carried to reheating furnaces in the foundry, where it was further refined, and poured into molds for the various castings used in the car. In this operation, endless conveyor racks are built up with frames, cores, and inserts, along the line; as it approaches the pouring car, the last operation has been completed and the steel is poured. By the time the rack has completed its cycle, the casting is cool enough to be removed, and another started—and so the merry-go-round goes 'round.

Many intricate castings are made in this building, the largest foundry in the world, but none interested me more than the Ford V-8 engine block. I watched this part cast complete with exhaust passages, crankcase and fly-wheel housing, in a single piece. The crankshaft is also cast complete with all of its offsets and counterweights. This type of casting is most economical as it provides a minimum of machining and waste.

After an excellent lunch in the Ford cafeteria, we visited the forge shop. Here steam hammers, forging machines, and huge forging presses, form the white-hot bars and rods of steel into many shapes and sizes of forgings. The forging of steel refines the grain of the steel, and disposes the grain flow to the best advantage

for the work the forging is to do. Forging also imparts added strength, and prepares the part for machining with little waste.

I was surprised to see that all of the furnaces for heating the bars were fired by gas. I was told, however, that it was the most economical fuel. In order to provide the coke necessary for the making of steel, 3800 tons of coal are converted into coke each day, and the resulting gas is used for fuel throughout the plant.

In the forge shop, too, all of the work is handled by conveyor system. I learned that the Rouge Plant has 132 miles of conveyors. The forgings are carried to each successive operation, and the trimming flash and waste is carried back to the furnaces, where it is mixed into a new lot of steel.

Our next call was at the machine building, where the forgings, castings, and stampings are machined in the final operations before assembly. The extreme accuracy of measurements in this department makes possible the unbroken line of assembly, where every part fits perfectly in place. In many separate rooms, air-conditioned, and temperature-controlled, rigid tests and calibrations are made to insure the correctness of the finished product.

As the assembled motor leaves the machine line, it is mounted to the chassis. Wheels and tire are put on, the body is lowered into place, gas, oil, and water are added, and another new Ford drives off the line under its own power. An interesting fact is that it is possible for the iron ore which arrives at the Rouge at 8 o'clock in the morning to leave the plant in a finished Ford car by noon the following day.

Unfortunately, our time was limited; therefore, we were unable to visit the many other departments of this great plant.

As we left the Rouge, and passed the Ford Rotunda, moved to Detroit from the Chicago World's Fair, I really began to understand the significance of the five

## Sympathy

The faculty and student body, through the staff of The Nor'easter, wish to express sincere sympathy to Mr. William W. Yerrall, instructor in Corporations, Partnerships and Sales, because of the death of his mother, Mrs. Anna M. Yerrall on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Yerrall, 76, who resided at 88 Maplewood Terrace with her husband, George R. Yerrall, died at the Springfield Hospital, Thanksgiving morning, after a lingering illness.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Yerrall is survived by two sons, George R., Jr., partner in the real estate firm of Yerrall & Yerrall, and William W., Springfield lawyer; 3 grandchildren, Ruth W., George R. 3rd, and Jean W. Yerrall, and a brother, Dwight B. Wood, all of this city.

The funeral was held at home Saturday afternoon, November 26, Reverend Frank C. Wheelock of All Saints' Church officiating. Interment was in Oak Grove cemetery.

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The candid camera shots on  
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Gordon Chandler '44

statues over the massive entrance. These sculptured white figures, set against a background of deep blue, represent Power, Beauty, Speed, Thrift, and Safety.

With heartfelt thanks to Ben, our diligent conductor, without whose tireless efforts we could never have seen so much in so little time, we left Detroit, richer by far for the experience. The trip is over, but the memory makes me feel honored that here in Springfield, I am employed by a supplier of the Ford Motor Company, and even a very small part of such a tremendous industry. I get a thrill when I

WATCH THE FORDS GO BY.

## A New Building

By Mary K. Foley '42

Surging upward and onward, ever climbing from rung to rung on the ladder of success, toward the light of a better day, more knowledge, greater financial security and a fuller and broader life. That is the aim of every serious-minded student registered at Northeastern University. Propounding the theory that attractive environment is essential to attentive concentration, Northeastern University, Worcester Y. M. C. A. Division, has made every effort to make "Climbing" as pleasant and attractive as is physically possible through the completion of the new Alden Building.

The new Alden Building houses Worcester Northeastern's educational equipment. It consists of seventeen well lighted class rooms, complete chemistry, physics, and mechanical laboratories, student lounges for men and for women, an assembly hall and a library. In addition the students have access to the physical equipment of the Y. M. C. A.

In appearance the Harrington Memorial Library much resembles our own. As is true of our own, it is of great value to the student body. All of the books in the ample space provided are of a reference nature; and, inasmuch as the library is comparatively young, the encyclopedias and other reference material are of recent publication.

Modernization of classrooms was a very important part of the plan in completing the new building. All of the rooms have been furnished, heated, ventilated and lighted by the most modern equipment available. Composition floors, acoustical ceilings and indirect lighting contribute to a restful atmosphere which is conducive to effective class work. Poor ventilation and poor lighting do so much to distract the attention of both the instructor and the class that any achievement toward the abatement of these nuisances is to be lauded. The class rooms are built on a

slight curve, the rows of chairs being in tiers, enabling even the students in the rear to see and be seen by the instructor, located in the front and center of the arc, to say nothing of facilitating the hearing of all the occupants of the room.

Through the completion of the Alden Building, the installation of physics, chemistry and mechanical laboratory equipment far in excess of what one might reasonably expect to find in an evening school was made possible. The mechanical laboratory alone offers nearly 5000 square feet of space for laboratory purposes. The new Olsen Testing Machine on its arrival and installation in the laboratory was of much interest to the students who lost no time in examining it.

The new building has afforded the opportunity for students and faculty to become acquainted socially before, between, and after classes. Perhaps this social contact is not so readily obtainable in an evening school, but it is admitted that the by-products of student and faculty contacts are often of equal value with courses taken. Class hours have been so arranged that ample time is allowed for interchange of ideas between students as well as friendly conference with members of the faculty. Contacts with those who are seeking seriously for knowledge, skill and attitudes that will contribute to success, quicken and sharpen the enthusiasm of teachers and students alike. The lounges for men, the student lobby in the Alden Building, the smoking room, the two lounges for women, all contribute to the creation of a friendly, one-big-happy-family atmosphere out of which develops innumerable lasting friendships.

Extra-curricular activities offer many opportunities to the students for self-expression outside of the class room. The student paper affords a grand opportunity for the student to express his likes, his dislikes, and to display his perhaps latent literary ability. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." To make Jack or Jill more keen, three well established fraternities and one sorority are available.

Numerous opportunities for social development are presented, the formal and informal gatherings helping to build up a background for living. The Student Council, elected by the student body, carries on all of the extra-curricular activities and plans many social functions throughout the year, as well as oratorical contests, debates, and lecture programs.

As a sound mind requires a sound body, all students automatically become members of the Y. M. C. A. and its physical privileges are available to them.

Congratulations to the Worcester Division in making the surroundings of the "Climbers" so pleasant and attractive and may the splendor of them prove an incentive to the industrious students making use of them.

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## Pi Tau Kappa News

The Delta Chapter of P. T. K. held its first business meeting October 14, 1938, at the Central Y. M. C. A. General matters concerning the year's activities were discussed and refreshments served. On October 29, the first dance of the season was held. It was a costume affair and a good time was had by all who attended.

On November 19, 1938, the first initiation was held at Hotel Stonehaven where we not only had a delightful dinner but had the most interesting speaker for years, Captain Gallagher of the Springfield Police Department, who spoke on the "Modus Operandi of the Criminal." Three new members were acquired at this meeting; R. R. Haggerty, class of '43; C. H. Frueh, class of '41; and R. Lambert, class of '43.

The next initiation dinner will be held at Hotel Charles, December 10, and Carl Robinson will conduct a "Quiz-Bee" at this meeting with prizes for the best team of five. The Christmas party is scheduled for December 23 at the Hotel Worthy.



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## Small Group of Alumni Braves Storm to Hatch Big Possibilities

On Wednesday nite, December 2, 1936, there gathered in spacious old B 5 a group of alumni with certain very good ideas in their head. The weather that night was composed of a little snow, a lot of rain, slush, mud and a disagreeable cold wind blowing half a gale so that the group included only the hardier souls among the alumni. However, the gathering was blessed with such familiar faces as Miss Casey, Mr. Swenson, Moriarty, Terrill, Mr. and Mrs. Churchill, Fullam, Merrifield, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Paine, Miss O'Keefe, Miss Sheehan, Lincourt, and Miss Bergmann.

The room was decorated and brightened for the occasion, and bridge tables were laid out for the gathering. A surprise in the form of a 15-pound turkey was awarded as a door prize and won by no less a personage than Mr. Churchill. A brisk game of Monte Carlo whist was then started and some fine prizes awarded to the winners of this novelty card game. Refreshments were served to the group and an informal meeting was held, during which the ideas behind the party were forwarded to the assembled alumni for comment.

Part of the aim of Northeastern within the last two years has been an attempt to bring both alumni and students into greater social contact. It is recognized that Northeastern men and women are too busy and the schooling too intense for social life to be considered necessary. Yet contacts are formed in spite of these difficulties during school years. Unfortunately, they are usually dropped after the banquet of the senior class.

Because of this fact, the afore-mentioned group gathered to talk over the possibility of keeping alumni and students in greater contact both during and after school years. No definite plans have been laid and no committees formed, for an idea of such nature must grow of its own volition and not by committees. However, the suggestion that a room be remodeled for the use of students and alumni and fitted out with various conveniences for informal meetings gives a general idea of the way the wind blows. Another meeting is scheduled for January, when the group will discuss further plans for the fostering of these wishes of the School.

Too much ought not to be expected at the start; it is better that the groundwork be laid carefully by the students and alumni themselves than inaugurated by the school, even though it does take a year or two before the plans begin to catch and hold the interest of all. So the "Nor'easter" wishes those behind the plans and those who plan to work on it and see it through, the best of fortune in their endeavors.

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## Council Stages "The Return of Pitt Parker"

Pitt F. Parker, cartoonist-lecturer, is to entertain the student body on Friday evening, January 15, as one of a series of after-class lectures sponsored by the Student Council.

Many of the students will recall Mr. Parker's lecture last year, when he displayed his extraordinary ability with the

chalk as well as a keen insight into current events. In addition to his work with the crayons, Mr. Parker models bas-reliefs in clay. While he lectures he rapidly draws original cartoons to illustrate the humorous or serious subject on which he is lecturing.

## Sisson Re-elected President of Senior Class

### Rosenbloom, Miss Hogan, Menzel, Lynn Complete Slate of Permanent Class Organization

The re-election of Clayton V. Sisson as president was the outstanding feature of a recent meeting of the class of 1937, at which it selected the officers who will serve it not only during its last and most important academic year, but also as a permanent class organization.

The election was conducted by a nominating committee of three, of whom one was chosen from the School of Law and two from the School of Business; of the latter, one represented the Engineering and Business students, and the other the students in the curricula of Accounting, Management, and Law and Business. All curricula being thus represented, a fair and impartial election was assured. Each nominee was carefully selected from a list of all the members of the class, and the whole election was conducted with the purpose of guaranteeing to each group equal representation.

The re-election of Mr. Sisson marked the retention in office of an outstanding student of Northeastern, who has capably served the class as president during its junior year and is well-prepared to lead the senior class through the most important year of its history. Mr. Sisson is well-known at the University both for his high scholastic record and for his active participation in activities, as president of the Applied Science Society, as a member of the Student Council, and as an officer of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity.

Harry Rosenbloom, of Holyoke, was chosen to represent the class as vice-president. Mr. Rosenbloom is a prominent student in the School of Law, a contact which will be beneficial to the class.

The secretary, Viola F. Hogan, is a student in the Law-Business curriculum and a secretary in the Trust Department of the Springfield National Bank.

To guard the finances of the class,

Richard E. Menzel, Jr., was elected for the second consecutive year. Mr. Menzel, who has maintained his name on the Dean's list since its inauguration in 1935, is a student in the Accounting curriculum. During his first year, 1931, he received one of the coveted freshman scholarships.

The election of Thomas F. Lynn, Jr., of Easthampton, as member-at-large places in office a popular member of the Management curriculum who is well-fitted to do his part for the welfare of his fellow-classmen.

Much remains to be accomplished by these officers between now and next June, in the way of appointing committees and making plans for various class activities. The cooperation of every member of the class to the fullest extent possible will be most helpful. Mr. Sisson expresses his hope and belief that whatever is accomplished will be for the good and benefit of all the members of the class and of Northeastern.

### No Gardens Sprouting Under Sophomores' Feet

The class of 1941, School of Business, is conducting an experiment this year in an effort to arouse among its members more enthusiasm for school work as well as for school social affairs.

Officers of this class have realized the fact that a great majority of class organizations of the past have been to a large extent "dead birds" during the first three or four years of their official existence. Some have claimed that the lack of time does not give them an opportunity for more class contacts. The class of 1941 does not accept this proposition. Many of the class members have a real interest in after-class meetings and a majority have

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## Administrative Officers and Instructors Convene to Discuss Problems and Policies

An informal dinner, an address by Dr. Everett A. Churchill, vice-president of the University, and discussion of problems pertaining to the School of Law and the School of Business were features of the joint faculty meeting held by the Springfield Division on Wednesday, December 16.

This was one of a series of regularly scheduled events, some held in Boston and some in Springfield, which serve as a liaison between the Division and the University as a whole.

Guests of honor, in addition to Dr. Churchill, were Deans Whitney and Skolfield, and the event was supported by the presence of thirty-six of Springfield's instructors.

After the dinner, Dr. Churchill discussed the question, "Can we test and measure in any adequate way the products of instruction?" Students would be somewhat amazed at the number and significance of the purposes of examinations, as outlined by the speaker.

The faculties of the two schools adjourned to separate rooms for discussion of questions pertinent to their respective work.

Dean Whitney and the instructors in the School of Business deliberated over possible advantages to be obtained by a greater liberalization of the courses offered. Dean Skolfield and the attorneys sought the means of making more effective the preparation of students for the practice of law.

No immediate changes in the curricula of either School are contemplated, it is reported, but it is evident that official minds are keeping a constant bearing upon the trend of educational needs.

### N. U.'s in the News

The Alumni of Northeastern University continue to "hit the headlines" of our local newspapers. While it is difficult sometimes to identify a person as an N. U. man because no reference is made to our university, nevertheless we are there, and mighty proud of it. A brief perusal of recent news has brought the following to light:

Raymond F. O'Connell, of the class of 1934 was recently nominated as Counsel for the State Department of Labor and Industries. The appointment of Mr. O'Connell was confirmed by a unanimous vote of the Executive Council, which is indeed a distinction in these days of close party politics. At the present time Mr. O'Connell is a retiring member of the State House of Representatives.

Edward H. Kane, a graduate of the class of 1936, was appointed as Trial Justice of the Trial Court in Ludlow, and we extend congratulations to Mr. Kane and might venture to say that in our opinion that is quite a heavy load for a young graduate to assume.

Miss Mary B. Deane, of the class of 1930 and the winner of the Pi Tau Kappa Scholarship in 1929, was successful in her first venture in the political field. Miss Deane was recently victorious in running for a seat as an alderman for the city of Holyoke.

The formation of the law firm of Ganley and Crook evoked pleasant comment among the law students of our university. Miss Margaret E. Ganley is a graduate of the class of 1928, while Dr. Crook is our genial instructor in Real Property, and when two persons of that caliber form a partnership in the legal field they look mighty formidable to other lawyers, but when such a firm takes in tow an outstanding legal student, as is Dr. Mary

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# Comings and Goings of Northeastern Greeks

## Pi Tau Kappa Reports Pleasant

### Parties; Activity Ahead

Pi Tau Kappa opened its activities of the current year with a Sport Dance at the Holyoke Canoe Club, on August 27, 1936. The romantic setting of the Canoe Club, an unusually clear, moonlit night, and the soothing music of Eddie Abrahamson's Commanders assured in advance the brilliant success of the Fraternity's first summer dance.

The next event on the fraternal calendar was the annual Hallowe'en Party, which, appropriately enough, fell on the night of Ghosts and Goblins. For this affair the group also traveled out of town and ended up at Harley Goodrich's old stamping ground in the Strathmore Community House. This event surpassed previous Hallowe'en parties. Clever and original costumes were to be seen in every part of the hall, their respective possessors vying for the prizes offered to the wearers of the prettiest and the most original.

The first initiation of the current school year occurred on November 28, when Frank H. Holloway, Carl J. Larson, Kenneth Sanderson, and Hugh C. Scott were initiated. This meeting was preceded by one of the Hotel Charles' usual good steak dinners, during the course of which the candidates toadied to the Initiation Committee's clever and effective punishments. At this particular meeting the Fraternity had the privilege of hearing Rev. E. Dent Lackey of Thompsonville, Connecticut, who might be classified as one of the most outstanding speakers the Fraternity has ever had. His address upon "A Preacher's View of Today's Economic Condition" caused such a lengthy and warm discussion that it was necessary for President Carlson ultimately to call the meeting to order.

The last function for the year 1936 was the annual Christmas Party, which was held at the West Springfield Y. M. C. A.,

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## Sigma Nu Upsilon's Initiates

### Set New Clowning Record

The Annual Initiation Banquet of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority was held on November 14 at the Hotel Stonehaven. The chicken was very good, as were the initiates, who unwittingly provided the entertainment. As befits the feminine section of fraternal life at Northeastern, the initiation was neither torturous nor terrifying, but rather hilariously, irresistibly amusing. The awed fresh-women were colossal; they broke all records for serious application to the creation of side-splitting mirth. The new members are (Mrs.) Eunice G. Donovan, Iris E. Fresco, Katherine C. Garvey, Grace F. Goulet, Mary E. Hurley, Lillian F. Krasner, Esther C. Lindberg, A. Louise Urban, and Claire R. Vautrain.

All of these, together with the members of longer standing and a fine representation of alumnae, made the Christmas party, held on December 19, a huge success. The Bridgway Hotel provided an attractive setting for this event, and the luncheon was delectable and d'lovely. A hand-holding spiritualist intrigued the sorority sports for part of the evening, while the other members participated in games supplied by the entertainment committee, under the chairmanship of Anna Olcavage. Santa Claus was excluded, due to diversity of sex, but one of his roomy stockings was there, filled to the top with candy and other surprises, including thimbles, mousetraps, corks, etc. In keeping with the holiday tradition, gifts were exchanged at the foot of the Christmas tree, which shone with blue lights.

If De Lawd gives us snow, Sigma Nu Upsilon will have a tobogganing party, followed by a spaghetti dinner, on January 16.

Sigma Nu Upsilon was established to create and sustain friendship and fellowship among the women students attend-

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## Middlebury Smith is in Deep Water

All States Paper Co.  
Pillingsgate, Idaho

Jan. 12, 1937

Gentlemen:

Maybe you are wondering why I am writing to you, so I will explain before I continue. Probably you do not know me until this writing, but I am a customer of yours. That is, we are customers of yours. By we, I mean Eloise and myself. Maybe you know Eloise, who is the girl I am going to marry because we both get locked in and out of cars, so since I will have to participate in the use of "we" eventually, why not at once?

The wedding is prepared to occur on the last Thursday of this month if Eloise gets back in time. We selected Thursday because if you start something on Friday it brings bad luck, and on Saturday you don't finish it. Eloise is scheduled to return two days before the big event, but we don't want to postpone it because like Friday it brings bad luck. That is why you will understand my dilemma which caused me a great deal of worry and trouble. I am left alone to prepare the way for the nuptials.

My biggest trouble is invitations which I don't know how to write. I know Eloise wants them right, but she isn't here to write them and I am a groom-to-be with all the work usually accomplished by the bride. That is why I have put you and the All States Paper Co. at my disposal.

Where I work at the foundry if something isn't clear about a radiator our customers ask us, so I am asking you about your stationery, which I have bought but which I don't know what to put what on. How is it correct to ask people to your wedding? It is to be at Eloise's house on 10 Maple Street, upstairs.

Any information you can give will be gratefully received, and in return may I ask that you do not allow anyone in our town to hear that I did not know what to put on the notices of my and Eloise's wedding.

Yours very truly,  
Middlebury Smith

### NO GARDENS SPROUTING

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voted to support any affair sponsored.

At one of the recent meetings of the class, bowling, handball, swimming, ping-pong tournaments, and so forth were suggested for some of the social meetings. For other occasions, discussions and forums on current events and school problems have been suggested. Another proposal is to combine both athletic and intellectual activities for an evening of entertainment.

At present, the officers are making arrangements for the first social meeting, which is to include a ping-pong tournament.

The class officers are: John A. Reed, president; Russell W. McGilpin, vice-president; and Vincent A. Sales, secretary-treasurer.

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ing Northeastern. It seeks to achieve these purposes by means of the warmth and stimulation of personal association, believing the latter to be valuable in the life of every member, in connection with her hours at Northeastern or in everyday life. The privilege of the sorority to function as a group is derived from the offices of the University in Boston, which have delegated to Mr. Churchill general advisory responsibility.

The calendar of activities for the year was planned at a Sorority luncheon, held early in the fall. At that time, committees were appointed to operate for the full year, and when the date of an occasion approaches, the committees automatically begin to function. The score to date is three done and six to go.

## No Compass Necessary for Locating Library, Where More Than Musty Tomes are Stored

Students who frequent the Library for hasty review work or profound study before and after classes will possibly question the necessity of comments concerning its facilities and accommodations. To these savants it should in fairness be remarked, therefore, that last fall a sophomore in the School of Business—it could not have been a law student, Library Reference being a freshman course—asked where he could find the Library! This student now knows, and any one who has not yet explored the front corridor to a sufficient depth will have no difficulty in locating this room, once he sets out in earnest search of it.

However, the fact that the locus of the Library was unknown to this student establishes probable cause for the belief that there are a number of students who are unacquainted with its internal features and the details of its operation.

The Library is open, on Monday to Friday evenings, inclusive, from five to ten o'clock; on Saturday afternoons, from noon to five o'clock; and on Sunday afternoons, from two to five o'clock. Students who wish to use the Library at hours other than those mentioned may do so by applying at the office and signing the Library register.

In the Library may be found, in addition to all of the current text-books, about seventeen hundred volumes written upon business, legal, and cultural topics. Additions are made with such frequency that the reading of every new book cannot be recommended as a hobby.

Many of the new books are texts, of course, which at best could be expected to arouse but slight enthusiasm. Such a one is Timbie's **Industrial Electricity**, recently purchased to give the students of Ph. 7-8 new fields to conquer. In contrast to this, however, may be mentioned **Rich Land, Poor Land**, by Stuart Chase, a non-technical study of the waste of natural resources.

Last summer the University received as a gift of the estate of Wendell G. Brownson, recently deceased Springfield attorney, a set of Massachusetts Reports, volumes 1 to 288, inclusive. As a result, the Library now possesses three full sets of this important publication.

Students of Constitutional Law, on their own initiative or under Mr. Callahan's guidance, will find a use for three recently-acquired volumes of the Supreme Court Reporter, which record the decisions of the terms of 1933, 1934, and 1935. Advance sheets in pamphlet form reporting decisions of the current term will be found on the magazine table.

The Restatement of the Law of Contracts, two-volume publication of the American Law Institute, has just been received, and it is rumored that other units of this series may soon be acquired.

Too numerous for individual comment are the score or more of periodicals to be

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## Freshmen Invited to Frolic With Council

Gather 'round, all loyal freshmen, and mark well the date, January 23, which is a Saturday close upon you. At 8:30 o'clock in the evening of that day, the Student Council invites you to sally forth with your partner to the Assembly Hall of the Y. M. C. A., where a waxed floor and sweet music will await you.

Harley B. Goodrich, '37, president of the Council, announces that the rhythm will be that of Bill Murray's Orchestra.

The Council, which conducted receptions for the freshmen in smaller groups last October, plans at this event to bring together for a grand evening of dancing and good fellowship all members of the class who care for this kind of recreation. And who among the class will decline the invitation for any less reason than two broken ankles?

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A. Noble of the Class of 1936, we can truly say that there is a wealth of legal knowledge in the firm of Ganley and Crook.

Clarence D. Epstein of the class of 1935 is now a practicing attorney and was recently admitted to practice before the Federal District Court. Mr. Epstein is also Vice President and Treasurer of the Advertising Corporation of America.

No school is ever complete without its romantic touch, and the recently announced engagement of Harold Mosedale, of the class of 1936, to Miss Muriel Andersen, of the class of 1935, assists considerably in completing the picture. Mr. Mosedale has recently been promoted as a representative for the Package Machinery Company in New York City.

Another recent announcement is that of the engagement of Miss Helen Forward to Everett J. Merrifield, a classmate of Miss Andersen. Mr. Merrifield recently resigned from a position at the Federal Land Bank to become a representative of the Union Central Life Insurance Co.

## PI TAU KAPPA REPORTS

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on December 19. At this party members and their guests again danced to the music of Eddie Abrahamson's Commanders. Instead of one Santa Claus, two showed up, which livened up the party and speeded up the distribution of the highly prized ten-cent gifts. The only regrettable feature of this event was that it fell on Saturday night and had to end at 12:00 o'clock.

While this does not seem like much activity for a Fraternity of one hundred and twenty-five members, it must be remembered that every Thursday the Fraternity gets together in the form of a Bowling League. From this Bowling League will be picked a team to represent the Fraternity in a challenge match with Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity.

Events planned for the near future are an initiation, to be held on January 30, and the Fraternity's second annual dinner dance, which will occur on February 27, at the Highland Hotel.

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found on the magazine table. They are intended, it may be assumed, to illustrate the practical application of class-room theory, and to stimulate general cultural reading. Most important of them are the *Annalist*, *Banking*, *Nation's Business*,

*Harvard Business Review*, *Printer's Ink*, *Babson's Reports*, *Harvard Law Review*, *Current History*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Reader's Digest*, and the *United States News*.



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# One Law, Six Business Students Named as Provisional Speakers

## Leading Scholars of Class to Compete for Honor of Representing Mates at Commencement Exercises

By Tina C. Montanari

Robert P. Cunningham, William B. F. Hoppe, Richard E. Menzel, Jr., Harry Rosenbloom, LaDoyt K. Teubner, Leon H. Thiem, and John G. Walz have received provisional appointments for the delivery of an address at the annual commencement exercises to be held on June 9. These honors are based primarily on scholarship. Each of the appointees will prepare a suitable paper, on the basis of which, and their final grades, two will be selected as student speakers. Two other appointees will serve as alternates.

Robert P. Cunningham, candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Management, is married and lives at 726 Tower Avenue in Hartford. He is a teacher at the Weaver High School and the Hillyer Junior College of Business Administration. A graduate of the Bromfield High School at Harvard, Massachusetts, he has studied at Fisher College, Boston University, and Trinity College. He is a member of the Mt. Vernon Lodge I. O. O. F., at West Medford. Mr. Cunningham is a member of the Cap and Gown Committee.

William B. F. Hoppe, candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Engineering and Business, is married and resides at 91 Sumner Avenue. He is employed by the National Bread Wrapping Machine Company as a designer, has patented several automatic wrapping machines, and is a member of the American Society of Bakery Engineers. His parents live in Bremen, Germany, and he received his secondary school education in the Realschule there. In 1928, Mr.

Hoppe was graduated from the Springfield Engineering Institute, a junior engineering college formerly conducted by the local administrative officers of Northeastern University.

Richard E. Menzel, Jr., candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Menzel of 35 Wellington Street. He was a three year honor pupil at the High School of Commerce and, on the basis of his work there, was awarded a freshman scholarship at Northeastern University. He has been active in student affairs and for the past two years has been treasurer of his class.

Harry Rosenbloom, candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Laws, is a graduate of Holyoke High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Iokel Rosenbloom of 145 Essex Street, Holyoke, and is employed by the Carsi Company. Mr. Rosenbloom is vice-president of the class of 1937, chairman of the commencement committee, and a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity.

LaDoyt K. Teubner, candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Engineering and Business, is married and lives at 22 Tekoa Terrace, Westfield. The son of Mrs. Florence K. Teubner, of that city, he attended high school in Asheville, North Carolina, but was graduated from Westfield High School. Previous to entering Northeastern University, he studied at the University of North Carolina and was graduated from the Industrial Chemical Engineering Course at Pratt Institute. He is engaged in experimental engineering at the Westfield Manufacturing Company, Inc. Mr. Teub-

# Annual Banquet to be at Kimball; Council Says, "Let 'em Eat Steak"

## Tempting Menu, Abrahamson's Orchestra, Subsidized Tickets for Students Indicate Huge Success

ner is a member of Delta Gamma Theta Fraternity and the American Chemical Society, and is assisting the Class Day Committee.

Leon H. Thiem, candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thiem, at 18 Littleton Street. A graduate of Classical High School and an honor student at Bay Path Institute, he is employed by the Dunham Trucking Company, Inc., as assistant traffic manager. Mr. Thiem is a member of the Cap and Gown Committee.

John G. Walz, of 46 Elmwood Avenue, Holyoke, candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Engineering and Business, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Walz. He studied in the Holyoke Evening High School and completed his formal college entrance requirements with pre-college courses conducted by Northeastern. He also attended the Springfield Engineering Institute, as a result of which he received transfer credit. Mr. Walz was a recipient of the Junior Scholarship Award, made possible by Delta Chapter of Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity, and presented annually at commencement to the student of the junior class who has made the highest average grade in all courses from his freshman to his junior years, inclusive. He is employed as laboratory technician by Westinghouse at the East Springfield plant.

Menzel, Teubner, Thiem, and Walz were on the Dean's list for the School of Business issued on September 15, 1936, for work completed during the academic year, 1935-36. The names which appear on this list are those of degree students, taking a full program of work, whose average for the year is eighty per cent or better.

Luscious, broiled club steak, with appropriate accompaniments of french-fried potatoes and green peas, not to mention the hors d'oeuvres and other delicacies which will precede and follow it, is the irresistible tummy-tempter selected by the Student Council to be served at the annual Northeastern dinner-dance at the Hotel Kimball on Saturday evening, April 17, at 6:30 o'clock. Eddie Abrahamson, popular local maestro, with his eight-piece band, has been engaged to present music for dancing, for which the Kimball's spacious ball-room is already reserved.

Dress will be optional, and if the event is in the tone of that of previous years, informal, formal, and even full-dress clothes will mingle in such profusion that it will be difficult to determine the prevailing mode.

Harley B. Goodrich '37, president of the Council and general chairman of the committee, announces that tickets will be on sale at the University by members of the Council, before and after classes for two weeks, beginning on Monday, April 5. The price to all students is 75 cents each for a maximum of two tickets, if purchased on or before Friday, April 16. Additional tickets for students and alumni or other friends of the University may be purchased for \$1.50 which is the exact cost of the dinner. On Saturday, April 17, the price of all tickets will be \$1.50.

This sumptuous feast and its Terpsichorean subsequent for the modest cost of an evening at the theatre is made possible by the fact that the Council has voted to draw upon the Student Activities Fund to pay half the cost of the dinners for students and the entire expense of the

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## N. U.'s IN THE NEWS

By Raymond L. Burati '37

News of our graduates continues to trickle in to the Nor'easter, but the amount is very meager, and should any of our readers have information concerning any alumnus the Editor would appreciate receipt of such information in order that this column may bloom with more color.

Edward P. Grace, who received his B. C. S. degree in 1924, has recently become Assistant General Manager and Treasurer of Springfield Merchants, Inc., publishers of the Springfield Shopping News. Popular as the instructor in Accounting Aids to Management, Mr. Grace was formerly an active officer of the Alumni Association.

### More Bar Exam Successes

Congratulations go to Ralph V. Clam-pit '28, Arthur L. Emery, Jr. '35, Mrs. Grace L. M. Gainley '36, Herbert Lerner '34, and Miss Alice M. Murphy '31, who have been recommended for admission to the Massachusetts bar as a result of the examination conducted on December 31, 1936. They are five of the seven residents of Hampden County who were successful in convincing the bar examiners of the adequacy of their qualifications.

A recent newspaper article states that the Ellis Title Company has purchased the block on the Northwest side of the corner of State and Main Streets, and in this connection we wish to state that that firm is prominently identified with Northeastern. Mr. Auchter, counsellor for the upper class students in the Law School, is one of the leading attorneys of the firm. Associated with Mr. Auchter are Frederick A. Kennett, a graduate of the Law School of the Boston division of Northeastern, and Selden G. Brooks, a graduate with the class of 1931 of our own division.

### Mr. Churchill at Palmer Rotary

Our popular Director, John D. Churchill, spoke recently before the Rotary Club

of Palmer on the purpose of education, and its close relation to the purpose of service clubs. Mr. Churchill was not lacking in support at that meeting inasmuch as he was flanked on one side by Leslie A. Carpenter and on the other side by William A. Sullivan, both of whom are N. U. graduates. Mr. Carpenter, who is Comptroller of Better Brushes, received his B. C. S. degree in 1932, and then returned to receive his LL. B. degree in 1933. Mr. Sullivan received his LL. B. degree in 1927, and is now an attorney and Investigator for the Department of Motor Vehicles. Incidentally, Mr. Churchill brought out the fact in his talk that the amount of money spent in the city of Springfield for tobacco equals the amount spent by the city for educational purposes.

During the course of the luncheon, conversation was largely concerned with N. U. people, and the following information represents some of the comments which were exchanged:

Frank R. Santucci, a B. C. S. graduate in the class of 1929, now handles accounts for the firm of A. E. Hale Co.

Ralph E. Canning, of the Science class of 1927, is now associated with the Central Massachusetts Electric Co. in the capacity of Electrical Engineer.

Selectman George E. Murphy of the town of Wilbraham received his LL. B. degree from Northeastern with the class of 1928.

Miss Mabel E. Davies is resident representative of the absentee treasurer of Wilbraham Academy. Miss Davies received her B. C. S. degree from Northeastern in 1928.

John J. Higgins, who received his LL. B. degree in 1928, holds the commission of Colonel in the Massachusetts National Guard. He is also a member of the Governor's staff, with which body he has been connected for several consecutive administrations. Lieutenant Colonel Higgins was chairman of the "Victory Banquet" sponsored by the Democratic Party a few weeks ago.

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## Dr. Stein Delivering Ten Lectures at "Y"

### Well Known Psychiatrist is Popular Law Student

By John P. Gaffney '42

Dr. Calvert Stein, Law '38, is engaged in giving a series of ten lectures entitled "Practical Aspects of Mental Hygiene", at the Springfield Y. M. C. A. on Friday evenings.

Dr. Stein is well known in Springfield, being psychiatrist to the traveling school clinic of the Monson State Hospital, consulting psychiatrist to several juvenile courts, and director of the Child Guidance Clinic at the Springfield Hospital.

He entered N. U. in 1933 to acquire a knowledge of law as a foundation for his studies in medical jurisprudence. Possessing a genial personality, Dr. Stein has become a popular character among his fellow students. Despite the responsibilities of raising a family and engaging in a profession, he has earned a reputation as a student and has been a member of the Student Council.

Dr. Stein was born in England. He came to this country in 1912 and was graduated from high school in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1921. After two years of pre-medical schooling and four years at Tufts Medical School, he was graduated in 1928 with an M. D. degree. He took post graduate training in California, New Jersey, and Massachusetts. He is a Diplomat of the National Board of Medical Examiners, and of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and has received honors and a prize for psychiatric research. He is also the author of several articles on heredity, endocrinology and mental hygiene.

His present series of lectures started on February 19. They are designed for liberal adults, parents, teachers, educators, and men and women engaged in social, religious, or educational group work. Dr.

## Evolution of a Baseball

By William F. Gibson '42

In the manufacture of the Spalding Cushion Cork Center Baseball are three major steps; first, the making of the cushion cork center; second, winding the yarn around the center; third, sewing and stamping the cover.

Large bales of raw rubber, commonly known to us as "smoked sheet," are brought from the West Indies by huge steamships, fast trains, and large trailer trucks, to our plant in Willimansett, where it is then broken down and mixed with other chemicals by the slowly-revolving mill rollers. The rubber is then taken off the rollers in long strips and forced through a tubing machine. It comes out in a long, round, putty-like rope; this rope is cut into small slugs and the slugs are placed in a mold on a hydraulic press that squeezes them into hemispheric shells. After the molded shells have been taken out of the hydraulic presses the flash, or excess rubber, is cut away, and they are ready for the next step.

A round cork ball is placed between two hemispheric shells, which are

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Stein is noted for his modern and analytical approach to the subject. He uses illustrated slides, charts, diagrams, and selected cases for discussion. Much valuable information has been gained from the "Practical Discussion" which is a feature of the course.

The remaining lectures for the coming weeks are as follows: "Why Children Go Wrong"; "Nature and Growth of the Emotions"; "Normal Personality and the Nervous Breakdown"; "Ideal Marriage". His audience has been high in the praise of his first six lectures and the remainder should prove equally interesting.

The fee for the course is nominal and special prices have been arranged for "Y" members and educational groups. Mr. Chilson of the Central Y is in charge of the tickets for the remainder of the lectures.

## Much of Value in Boston's "Nites"

David L. Turnbull '40 Lauds  
Initial Issue

The "Nor'easter" received recently the first copy of "Northeastern Nites", a publication edited by the business students of the evening division of Northeastern University in Boston. The paper is attractively arranged with a black and white cover and a very orderly set-up of the articles in spacious printing.

The articles themselves indicate that the Boston school is aiming at very high standards with regard to material printed and constitute interesting and informative reading. An especially fine introductory article by Dean Whitney states some of the aims of the students who enter Northeastern and convinces one that the school fills a very definite place in the life of adults not contented with an ordinary job and an indefinite future.

The editor in a brief explanatory editorial dedicates the paper to the school and requests the cooperation of all students in contributing articles, to the end that it will be the voice of all and not merely that of a selected staff. Our readers will remember that this also is the key note of the "Nor'easter"—to make it the school's paper and not merely the work of a few staff members.

The "Nor'easter" would like at this time to urge the students once more to write on their own initiative for the paper and not have the staff solicit certain members of the faculty and student body for material. Any topic may be chosen and presented to the staff, whether it be a short article or a lengthy discussion of some pet theory.

The remainder of the issue consists of several fine articles of business interest. Among these are an article on advertising by Mr. Spear, of the faculty, a commentary on life insurance as affected by the

Social Security Act, an article on transportation costs in production, a very well written contribution by a student on soap, and a story about the daily life of a lobster fisherman. The diversity of these articles indicates that the field is open for any subject or interest of the contributors.

We wish the staff of "Northeastern Nites" the best of success in their venture and trust it will live and grow to be an integral part of Northeastern.

## N. U.'s EMPLOYMENT SERVICE DESCRIBED

By David L. Turnbull '40

It has never been the policy of Northeastern to carry on a regular employment bureau within the school, but nevertheless prospective employers occasionally call up the University, requesting the names of possible applicants for business positions. These calls number about three or four a month and include opportunities ranging from accounting and selling positions to even a request for an executive for a business.

In order to fill these demands the office keeps on file a list of application blanks, properly filled by students, requesting aid in securing employment. Most of the applicants have positions already, but desire to change, possibly from mechanical work to business. These blanks are kept up to date, and students are requested to fill out a new one every school year regardless of whether they have filled them out before.

Th application blank is brief, including only essential information and the particular kind of employment desired. Records are kept of calls upon students and the final outcome of their interview. Each applicant is considered carefully before being referred to the employer, to ascertain if he will fill the requirements of the job.

Employers sometimes are alumni of Northeastern who have worked into

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# Plantation House

By Henry H. Franklin '41

To the editor of the Nor'easter:

The story herewith does not originate with me but has been handed down several generations by word of mouth and I have taken the liberty of putting it in writing. It is, of course, true. I have it from my good friend J. V. S. who had it from the present owner of the plantation house and a direct descendant of the Ravenals of the story.

Yours truly,  
henry h franklin '41 law

The Ravenal plantation house is grey with weather. One blind swings crazily in the breeze and its once trim cornice sags beneath the weight of its ancient rafters. But it stands as proud and dignified beneath the moss-hung cypresses as it did that spring night before the scourge of brothers' blood had spent its fury on the South.

All the aristocracy of tidewater Virginia was there. For Julie Ravenal was coming out. And coming out with a man. She had her diamond.

Sounds of gay laughter mingled with the strains of Money Musk which went out through the warm night to blend their essence with the heavy perfume of the magnolia trees. Abruptly the music stopped. In a rustle of new taffeta Julie Ravenal appeared at the head of the great staircase. Fresh with the bloom of expectant youth, her eyes outshone the family jewels which she wore; outshone the diamond which sparkled from the third finger of her left hand.

For a moment she stopped, beautiful with the poise of maidenhood. Then suddenly she was a crumpled heap at the bottom of the stairs. It was as if some unseen hand had caught at the hem of her gown, throwing her headlong down the stairs.

Perhaps it was sentimentality that prompted them to bury her next day, clad as she had been the night before, in the little plot beside the house. Perhaps it was sentimentality that made her brother Carl sit alone in the warm dark and worry about how cold the earth had felt to his feet that evening—and Julie in her grave. The soft scratching on the door came to him but dimly—as through a dream. It ceased and was forgotten. Some time after—a long time, it seemed to Carl,—he went to bed.

Carl awakened early, with a sense of impending doom. Not knowing why, he went to the front door and opened it wide. There lay Julie in a pool of her own blood, a corpse, with clothes awry, stripped of the jewels, minus the third finger of the left hand.

Carl Ravenal was an old man before nightfall. His hair was white.

Only the most callous among the neighbors would tell you how the preacher came twice within a week to the Ravenal place. How grave robbers had followed him the first time; disinterred the body and stripped it of the Ravenal jewels. How the robbers, being unable to remove the engagement ring, had cut off Julie's finger, the shock reviving her enough so she could gain the door and scratch feebly before dying "a second time".

Nowadays the neighbors only know about the house. They say it's haunted,—that nights when early summer breezes shake petals from the magnolia trees there comes a gentle scratching at the door.

# Golfanaticism

By Luke J. Smith '42

Christopher Bopp comes under that rather loose classification which is known as the average man. His neighbors have a good opinion of him, or at least no worse an opinion than the neighbors usually have of a man. At the office he has a position of some authority and is more or less respected by those under him and tolerated by those over him. I could eulogize thus, endlessly, but this article is not a panegyric but an expose. I am going to use Chris as a sort of exhibit "A" in the frank discussion of a strange malady.

This disease is called golfanaticism, and those thus afflicted are known as golfanatics. No one, once stricken, ever really recovers, and all react in a similarly strange manner.

But let us get back to Mr. Bopp. We'll spend a day with him, when he is under the spell, to observe and record his behavior.

Any Sunday:

6:00 A. M. Mr. B. leaps out of bed and dashes under a cold shower. (On week days he has to be pried out of bed at 8:40 so he may be at the office at 9:00.)

6:05 A. M. Mr. B. garbs himself in floppy pants that reach just below the knee and are tucked into red and white checked socks. He also puts on a gaudy sweater and a shapeless soft hat.

6:15 A. M. Mr. B. eats hastily, picks up a cylindrical bag filled with strange tools—steel rods with leather handles and wooden or steel heads—and rushes for his car.

We follow closely as he travels through deserted streets where at different corners he stops for three other fellows, attired and equipped like himself.

7:00 A. M. finds them far outside the city limits at an attractive building which is surrounded by a sort of glorified cow pasture minus the cows.

His counterparts are everywhere, but let us not lose sight of Mr. B. He has climbed to a flat-topped mound where he stands swinging one of his strange implements. Finally he places a small, white ball on a little wooden peg which he has inserted in the ground. With a flick of the wrists he strikes the sphere sharply with the steel stick and it skips away into some tall grass not far off. His companions do the same and the game (for it is a game) is on. Continuing to propel the ball in this manner, he at length succeeds in placing it in a small hole marked by a flag. This goes on for hours, for there are flag-marked holes everywhere.

12:00 Noon Lunch.

1:00 P. M. He continues. Sometimes he mutters under his breath, and once we heard him say quite plainly, "I'd like to run after that ball and bite it."

7:00 P. M. The shades of night are falling. Rain patters down. Mr. B. is looking among the weeds for a lost ball, trying the while to don a weather-beaten rain jacket by putting his arms through rents mistaken for sleeve-holes. And so we leave him groping in the dusk, with the garment draped ludicrously around his neck.

## LIBRARY NOTES

Students of accounting will receive with interest the news that the Library has added the Journal of Accountancy to its magazine section. The March issue is now available.

Of no less interest to engineers who wish to keep abreast of new developments will be the acquisition of the RCA Review, "a quarterly journal of radio progress," and a compact volume entitled "Television," which presents a number of papers and addresses dealing with the development of this young cousin of the radio industry.



# Middlebury Smith Goes to Town

March 20, 1937

Present Arms Mannor  
East 6th Ave.  
N. Y., New York

Dear Mrs. Present Arms:

I am writing because this is my honeymoon, but it is also the first night Eloise and I have been somewhere else since our marriage, which is a mistake since we both were reserved for your hotel, and only I have showed up so far.

Something is undecidedly wrong. The boys prescribed and accomplished the incorrect kind of cutting up for a wedding. Rice and old shoes are frowned on by etiquettes, but they are superior to taking me one way and Eloise another. The trick of separating the bride, who is Eloise, and the groom, who I am, went awry, and all the girls are somewhere with her, and the boys were with me until just now when I threw them out of your reservation for me at this hotel.

I am not blaming you, since you are on a boat from Europe, and have not yet heard of me excepting as a reservation, but you may be sorry about me and want to avoid someone else's similar predicament in the near future.

Anybody in my position, I am without wife and only married since noon today, or it's tonight now, but this noon it was today, should have attention from the hotel owner, who is you. After throwing out the boys strenuously, I was thinking about Eloise and I got mad and called for you and some ice water, but a small man came up with some warm water. I sent him out and called for you some more, and they thought I was imbibed, which I don't, and then they told me you were navigating between Europe and here, and I thought you might like to know I think you should be here when your pertrubed guests want you to bring up ice water.

However, I don't hold it up against you, for you probably needed a vacation, so I will postpone meeting you until next time Eloise and I get to this city, if I can find Eloise.

If you are married you will excuse confusion and realise.

Exceptionally yours,  
Middlebury Smith

## EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

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positions where selection of personnel has become one of their functions. It is gratifying to find that they realize men in Northeastern have acquired the training necessary to aid their company and that they look upon Northeastern as a source of supply for personnel. Any other alumni of Northeastern who find themselves requiring trained men are asked to remember the employment service Northeastern renders, and to avail themselves of the opportunity to aid present students

in obtaining better positions.

Any student who wishes to avail his or herself of this source of employment may obtain an application blank at the office at any time. Most of us are sufficiently fortunate to be firmly established in good companies already and the training at Northeastern is merely to prepare ourselves for further opportunity in the firm with which we are now associated. With business on the increase, however, it is expected that more calls for young men and women in business will be made and a good opportunity presents itself for those not as yet properly adjusted in business.

## Justin, Ancestor I

By A. Martha Davis '40

When Justin climbed upon a rock  
And sat down on the shale,  
About his sturdy, unbent legs  
He firmly wrapped his tail.

Upon his knees his elbows pushed,  
His chin dug in his hands.  
Said he, "I deal with all those things  
Which no one understands.

"There'll come a day, when, I suppose,  
Mankind will have sore trials;  
When there'll be more than fifteen men  
For every fifteen miles.

"Then education will be stuff  
Found printed in a book  
And learned men will be the ones  
Who will know where to look.

"They'll go so far in future days  
They'll furnish schools at night  
Where those who haven't had enough  
May listen and recite.

"Instructors will rise up to teach  
A very eager few  
The evils of a modern age  
And what they're coming to.

"I see them now," poor Justin sighed,  
"Devising schemes whereby  
A certain few can't pass their tests  
No matter how they try.

"Instructors without 'marking curves'  
Throw papers down the stairs,  
And where they land decides the grade.  
To no avail are prayers.

"But they will never, never learn,  
Without me there to say  
That teaching cannot be complete  
'Til all the class gets 'A'."

So Justin sat and pondered long  
And gazed across the sands  
Pretending that he understood  
Things no one understands.

## Turkey Was a Rabbit, But Proclivity for Live Prizes Admitted

Yes, sir, it was a rabbit, a thoroughly live rabbit; a dear, lovely, brown, baby rabbit; but alive, thoroughly alive, late at night, without a home to go to, no carrots on hand for fodder, and no one possessed knowledge of what to do for a baby rabbit with the stomach ache. And Mrs. Churchill loved and cared for children too well to permit a child rabbit to suffer from ignorance in her home even if our Director did win an intriguing little one at that Alumni gathering mentioned in the last Nor'easter. And, besides: "He'd be under everybody's feet all the time." So "Nimrod" Churchill, who loves his rabbits as much alive as dead, lost out. R. E. Fullam '33, who had originally obtained the rabbit in behalf of the committee for the party, courteously relieved the situation by taking him back to his brothers and sisters; or maybe he gave him to Thornton Burgess or Mrs. Fullam. Mrs. Churchill really hated to see him go, Mr. Churchill darned near wept, and the lovely little brown fur ball didn't care a snap about where he went.

Turkey? Sure, the December Nor'easter said Mr. Churchill won that door prize. No, editorial error. Tom Moriarty '30, one of the folks who, along with Catherine Casey '26, Carl Swenson '22, and Fred Bromage '34, arranged this particular affair, took the turkey home to Northampton with him. Now that turkey was dead, ready for the roaster, and Tom is a bachelor! Every wife present had her butcher knife all ready for that Turk. Tom was lucky he got the prize instead of a knife.

Ed's Note: Mrs. C. really objected to the rabbit for fear the receipt of live prizes by her spouse might become a habit. We learn John D. once upon a time at a swanky evening party, far from home, (and the place they keep pigs), had a live porker placed in his arms!

## Pat Plans a Party

By Herbert A. Pace '42

To a learned senior in the School of Law, a freshman in the School of Business must be a very meager sort of person.

I know I find my outlook on, and knowledge of life to be pretty small. So much so, that what I don't know about I have to picture, as well as I can.

But to get back to our learned senior, I can't help but feel how technical his language must get—you know, the kind of language that only a lawyer can understand.

I have a picture in mind of one of these seniors trying to write an invitation to his girl friend to be present at a surprise party which he is to give in her honor.

Being only a freshman in the School of Business, I am not well informed on legal documents. However, I picture the invitation to read something like this:

I, Patrick Parter, hereinafterwards referred to as the party of the first part, do invite and request the presence of a particular Patricia Partell, hereinafterwards referred to as the party of the second part, to partake and participate in a party given by the party of the first part in honor of the party of the second part.

The remainder of the participants of the party will hereinafterwards be referred to as the party of the third part.

The party is to be parted into two parts. The first part of the party will be for all parties to participate in games given out by the party of the first part who will take part partly.

As the party of the second part is to be a party to the party given in honor of this party, the second part of the party is to be a surprise to this party. As the surprise is partly the reason for the party, it cannot be parted with.

Please, therefore, affix your hand and seal to this document.

Written this fourteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and thirty-seven.

## SORORITY BITS

Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority joined Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity in a formal dinner and dance at the Hotel Kimball on February 6. Each guest received a pocket handkerchief and each girl a party hanky.

Bertha L. Rowley '38 was elected president of Sigma Nu Upsilon at the annual business meeting of the sorority, held on March 5. A. Martha Davis '40 was chosen vice-president; Frances A. Bryant '40 is the new treasurer; and Elizabeth Abihider '39 was named secretary. Assuming at once the responsibilities of their positions, these officers will serve for a year.

Discussion of plans for next year occupied the attention of the members during the same meeting.

## COUNCIL PRESCRIBES STEAK

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orchestra and incidentals.

The Council voices the hope that every student will come, with wife, husband, friend or sweetheart. It is prepared to accommodate the limit, which would mean some over a thousand N. U. men and women. The program which it has announced is certain to attract all who can possibly attend.

The Council has delegated the following-named members to assist Mr. Goodrich in particular duties: Raymond L. Burati '37, tickets; Ernest A. Carlson '39, menu; George H. Greene '38, music; Eugene F. Riley '38, decorations; Vincent A. Sales '41, publicity. The other members of the Council, who are assisting in general promotion and preparations are Joseph W. Buckley '40, George P. Chevrier '41, Mayre B. Coulter '38, Frank E. Hegarty '40, James W. Knight '40, Russell E. Kraft '39, Clayton V. Sisson '37, Emanuel Tesoro '40, and W. Edwin Watkins '39.

## EVOLUTION OF A BASEBALL

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separated by a rubber washer. A row of these black centers is enveloped in a strip of red rubber and cut out one after the other by a large cutting machine. The nearly-finished center is then placed in a large hydraulic press; there it is molded and cured into its finished form.

The finished centers are put into a small push truck and taken to the noisy winding room; there they are given to the winding operators in the first section who by machine wind the first layer of yarn around the center. This first winding is called "chunk." After receiving this first layer they are weighed and inspected. They are next given to the operators in the second section who by machine wind the second layer of yarn around the chunk. The second winding is called "white." Again, they are weighed and inspected, after which they are placed in a push truck and taken to the cementing room. There they receive a coat of rubber cement, which prevents the yarn from shifting when the ball is in use. After the cement has dried, weighed and inspected. The operators in

the third section who wind the third layer of yarn around the ball; this layer is called "finished grey." Once more they are weighed and inspected. The operators in the last section receive them and wind the fourth and last layer of yarn around the ball. This layer is called "cotton." After they have been weighed and inspected, they are taken once more to the cementing room, where they receive two layers of cement. The first layer prevents the yarn from shifting, and the second layer is a base for the cement which is painted on one side of the leather cover.

The covers are cut out of large flawless, white, horsehide leather sides in figure 8 form, by special cutting machines, under the supervision of an experienced leather man. The covers are hand-stitched on the balls by expert stitchers, when the cement has dried. The finished balls are taken to the stamping and boxing room, where they receive the required stamping and specified boxing. The baseballs are then ready to be shipped to places throughout the world where they play their part in the ever-interesting and exciting game of baseball.

## Class of '27 Walks Off with the Bacon

Playing host to twelve Northeastern alumni on Monday evening, March 29, Director Churchill N'25 found top honors for skill in beano, games, and cards going to the class of '27, who "went home with the bacon". The bacon-getters were Carl W. Hanson, John W. Schmidt, and Kurt R. Vogel, all of '27. Refreshments and conversation were taken by Stanley O. Smith '22, Carl H. Swenson '22, Benjamin D. Novack '23, Edward P. Grace '24, James C. Byrnes '28, Thomas R. Moriarty '30, Saul Simons '32, John M. O'Malley '32, and Ralph E. Fullam '33.

## N. U.'S IN THE NEWS

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Recent engagements of interest to their many friends at Northeastern are those of A. Scott Phillips '37 to Miss Linnea Falk, of East Longmeadow, and of Kenneth J. VanWart '39 to Miss Ann Veselak, of Cambridge. Both of the prospective grooms are members of Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity.

Epsilon Phi Sigma has a member who puts his fraternity into the news on the theory that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. Rita Johnson, former N. U. student and member of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority, and Russell E. Kraft '39, active member of Epsilon Phi Sigma, were married on January 30.



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## Rev. Mr. Tamblyn and Rabbi Wise to Speak at Baccalaureate and Commencement

The Commencement exercises this year will be graced by the presence of two fine speakers. On Sunday morning, June 6, at 10:45 o'clock, the Reverend Ronald J. Tamblyn A.B., B.D., will preach an appropriate sermon for the Baccalaureate Service to be held at First Church, Court Square Avenue at Court

and Elm Streets. The Commencement address is to be given by that noted speaker so familiar to radio audiences, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise Ph.D., LL.D., L.H.D. This service will occur on Wednesday evening, June 9, 1937 at 8 o'clock, in the old historic First Church in Court Square.

## Glimpses of Class of 1937

By Tina C. Montanari

Stanley A. Bigos, a candidate for the degree of LL.B., and chairman of the Banquet Committee, lives at 32 Alden Avenue, Thompsonville. A graduate of the Enfield High School, he is employed as assistant underwriter by the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford.

Ellwood D. Brown, a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Accounting, prepared for college at West Springfield High School. He is employed by the Production Credit Corporation and lives in West Springfield, at 168 Chestnut Street. Subject of thesis: "A Study of Operations of Production Credit Associations in New England, New York, and New Jersey."

Raymond L. Burati, a candidate for the degree of LL.B., is a graduate of the High School of Commerce. He is employed by the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company and lives at 61 Northampton Avenue. A member of the Student Council for 1936-'37, he was chairman of the ticket committee for the recent Northeastern banquet.

John A. Burrige, of 81 Massachusetts Avenue, Longmeadow, a graduate of Technical High School with three years at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to his credit, is employed by the United American Bosch Corporation as a draftsman. He is a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Engineering and Business. Subject of thesis: "The Metric System vs. the English System as a Legal Standard of Measurement in the United States."

Edward B. Cooley, of 24 Sumner Terrace, a graduate of Classical High School, and a student at the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania for two and a half years, is a candidate for the degree of LL.B.

Arthur A. Copp, of 126 Amherst Street, a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Engineering and Business, attended Wentworth Institute for one year after graduating from Bridgewater High School. Mr. Copp is married and is employed as a foreman at the Moore Drop Forging Company.

Robert P. Cunningham, candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Management, is married and lives at 726 Tower Avenue, Hartford. A teacher at Weaver High School and the Hillyer Junior College of Business Administration, he is a graduate of the Bromfield High School at Harvard, Massachusetts, and has studied at Fisher College,

Boston University, and Trinity. Mr. Cunningham is a member of the Cap and Gown Committee. He received a provisional commencement appointment. Subject of thesis: "A Comparative Study of the Basis for Extending Bank, Personal, and Instalment Credit."

John I. Finn, a supervisor at the Fiberloid Corporation, lives at 60 Mandalay Road. Upon graduating from Technical High School, he studied for a year at the Springfield Engineering Institute, a junior engineering college formerly conducted by the local administrative officers of Northeastern University. He is president of the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. Mr. Finn is a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Engineering and Business. Subject of thesis: "Sales Possibilities of Small Motors."

Milton M. Fisher, candidate for the degree of LL.B., lives at 73 Washington Road. A graduate of Classical High School, he received his B.A. degree at Yale and then attended Harvard Law School for one year. He holds a position with Fisher Brothers, Inc.

Viola F. Hogan, secretary of the Class of 1937, is a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Law and Business. Her home is at 25 Euclid Avenue. After graduating from Classical High School, she attended the High School of Commerce for half a year. Miss Hogan has a secretarial position with the Springfield National Bank. Subject of thesis: "The Administration of Small Trust Funds—Is the Common Trust Fund a Solution?"

William B. F. Hoppe, candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Engineering and Business, is married and resides at 91 Sumner Avenue. He is employed by the National Bread Wrapping Machine Company as a designer and has patented several automatic wrapping machines. He received his secondary school education in the Realschule at Bremen, Germany. In 1928, Mr. Hoppe was graduated from the Springfield Engineering Institute. He received a provisional commencement appointment. Subject of thesis: "Development and Marketing of an Automatic Bread Slicing Machine."

Harold F. Keyes, Jr., candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Accounting and a member of the commencement committee, is a graduate of the Northampton High School. He is employed by the Gilbert and Barker Manufacturing Company and lives at 40 Fruit Street, Florence.

Walter E. Kusnick, of 582 Summer Street, Holyoke, a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Accounting, attended Holyoke High School for one year, Holyoke Vocational School for three years, and Holyoke Evening High School for one year. He is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity and of the commencement committee. Subject of thesis: "Managerial Problems of a Bus Corporation."

Nicholas A. Latino, a candidate for the degree of B. B. A. in Engineering and Business, is a member of the commencement committee. A graduate of Classical High School, he lives at 815 Columbus Avenue. He is employed as a foreman by the F. W. Sickles Company. Subject of thesis: "The Manufacture of Radio Coils."

Thomas F. Lynn, Jr., of 7 Payson Avenue, Easthampton, a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Management, graduated from St. Michael's High School and then attended Northampton Business College for two years. He is now employed at the Stores Division of the Springfield Armory. Mr. Lynn is member at large of the Class of 1937 and a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. Subject of thesis: "Comparative Study of the Sales Methods of the Ordnance Department, War Department, and Private Enterprise to Determine an Improved Method for the Ordnance Department."

Richard E. Menzel, Jr., candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Accounting, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Menzel of 35 Wellington Street. He was a three-year honor pupil at the High School of Commerce. He is treasurer of the Class of 1937 and has a provisional commencement appointment. Subject of thesis: "Comparative Study of the Wholesale, Retail, and House-to-House Distribution of Bakery Products."

Harry Parker, of 3110 Main Street, a candidate for the degree of LL.B., attended the High School of Commerce and completed the requirements for entering the School of Law by means of pre-college studies and courses in the School of Business at Northeastern. He is a member of the commencement committee. Mr. Parker is employed by the A. & G. Grocery Company.

Harry Rosenbloom, candidate for the degree of LL.B., is a graduate of Holyoke High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Iokel Rosenbloom of 145 Essex Street, Holyoke, and is employed by the Carsi Company. Mr. Rosenbloom is vice-president of the Class of 1937, chairman of the Commencement Committee, and a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. He received a provisional commencement appointment.

Kurt F. Semisch, a candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Accounting, is a graduate of Holyoke High School and lives at 1086 Main Street in that city. He is employed as Credit Manager by the Farr Alpaca Company. Subject of thesis: "Standardization and Cost Control for a Cotton Spinning Mill."

Clayton V. Sisson, of 25 Ardmore Street, is president of the Class of 1937, a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma, and a member of the Student Council of 1936-'37. A candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Engineering and Business, he took pre-college courses at Northeastern to fulfill entrance requirements. Mr. Sisson is employed by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. Subject of thesis: "The Trend in Automatic Screw Machines."

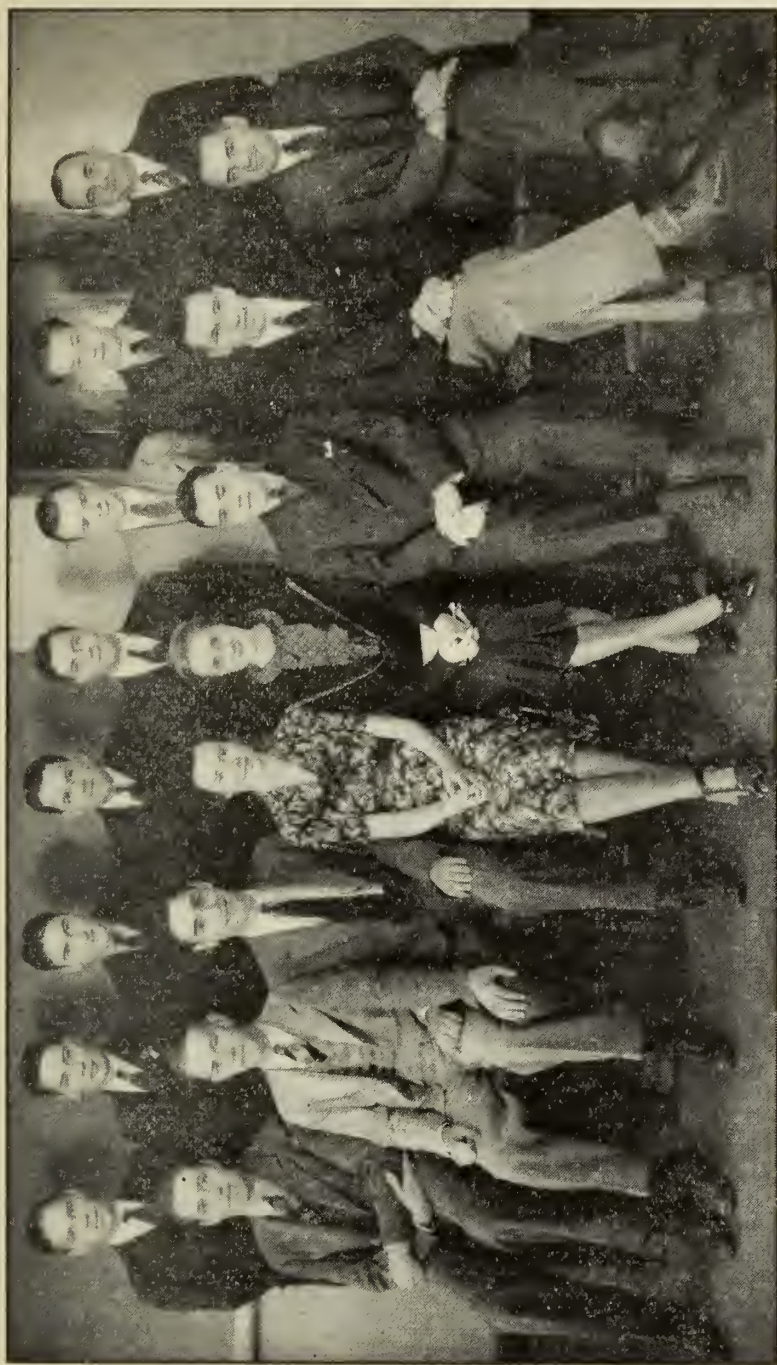
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Leon H. Thiem, candidate for the degree of B.B.A. in Accounting, lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thiem, at 18 Littleton Street. A graduate of Classical High School and an honor student at Bay Path Institute, he is employed by the Dunham Trucking Company, Inc., as assistant traffic manager. Mr. Thiem is a member of the Cap and Gown Committee. He received a provisional commencement appointment. Subject of thesis: "Federal Regulation of the Motor Truck Carriers and Its Effect on the Motor Carriers."

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**Student Council for 1937-1938**

Seated, left to right, are Harold A. LeDuc '38, Dwight H. C. Higley '41, Vincent A. Sales '41, Mayre B. Coulter '38, Frances A. Bryant '40, John P. Gaffney '42, David L. Turnbull '40, and Ernest A. Carlson '39. Standing, in the same order, are David E. Tilden '41, Carl J. Larson '40, Ralph S. Warner '42, Leonard M. Baldwin '42, Robert D. Gourlie '38, George H. Greene '38, Frank E. Hegarty '40, and Eugene F. Riley '38. Members who were absent are Charles E. Benoit '39, William L. Hitchcock '41, and W. Edwin Watkins '39.

# Nineteen Honored by Election to Council

## Seven of Group Entering Second Term of Service

By John P. Gaffney '42

Nineteen members of the undergraduate classes have been selected to serve on the Northeastern Student Council for the 1937-38 school year. Each class is represented on the Council, which arranges the social and extra-curricular activities of the school. In addition to arranging for occasional social affairs, special lectures, and meetings, the council represents the interests of the student body.

Last year, after a lapse of several years in undergraduate activity, some twenty members of the faculty best situated to know the student body brought into existence a new Student Council. This year it was asked to name a new Council of men and women whom it felt they might "trust to give intelligent and effective action" to the enrichment of the undergraduate life and its relation to the Alumni Association.

Those signalized for the honor this year are as follows: Class of 1938: Eugene F. Riley, Law; member of the Council 1936-37; member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. Mayre B. Coulter, Law; Council member 1936-37; former president of Sigma Nu Upsilon. Robert D. Gourlie, Accounting; member of Pi Tau Kappa. George H. Green, Management; Council member 1936-37; member of Pi Tau Kappa. Harold A. Le Duc, Engineering and Business.

Class of 1939: W. Edwin Watkins, Law; Council member 1936-37; general chairman of committee for 1936 banquet. Charles E. Benoit, Accounting. Ernest A. Carlson, Management; Council member 1936-37; President of Pi Tau Kappa.

Class of 1940: Carl J. Larson, Law; member of Pi Tau Kappa. Frances A.

Bryant, Law; secretary of Sigma Nu Upsilon. David L. Turnbull, Accounting; secretary of Pi Tau Kappa; one of the originators of the Nor'easter, and one of its most frequent contributors. Frank E. Hegarty, Engineering and Business; member of Council 1936-37; last year's winner of Sophomore Scholarship.

Class of 1941: William L. Hitchcock, Law. David E. Tilden, Accounting. Dwight H. C. Higley, Management. Vincent A. Sales, Law and Business; Council member 1936-37; secretary, class of '41, School of Business; Nor'easter contributor.

Class of 1942: Leonard M. Baldwin, Accounting; Nor'easter contributor. Ralph S. Warner, Engineering and Business. John P. Gaffney, Jr., Management; Nor'easter contributor.

David L. Turnbull was elected president and Dwight H. C. Higley secretary of the organization at a brief meeting held on Friday, May 21.

## HILARITY REIGNS AT SPEECHLESS BANQUET

### Pace of Program Prompts Postponement of Cigars

By Kenneth A. MacDonald '42

The Student Council certainly planned the Annual Banquet and Dance, held at the Hotel Kimball, in true Epicurean fashion. A gay, noisy, and colorful throng of two hundred sixty-eight enjoyed a banquet which could not have been surpassed in culinary perfection on the Riviera.

Imagine anticipating the agony of a dining room duel with a morsel of a long-dead cow and then being faced with a deliciously tender, well done steak and its tempting accompaniments. To elaborate on anticipation, your informer heard of a certain young man who planned to enjoy

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# Class Gift of '36 Invested

## Books on Law, Business and Engineering Purchased

By Edward V. Hall '42

Last June Harold Mosedale, representing the Class of 1936 as president, presented to the University a fund of \$40 to be used for the purchase of reference books for the library. The purchases, made by Mr. Churchill and the administrative staff, assisted by recommendations from members of the faculty, have been distributed about equally among the three general divisions of education at Northeastern.

The following books have been selected and are now in the Library:

### Engineering

Cook—ELEMENTS OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING—John Wiley & Sons. In this book students may find a short course in the fundamentals of Electrical Engineering. Illustrations of electrical machinery, supplied by well-known manufacturers such as General Electric Company and Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, constitute an interesting feature of the book.

Jansson—HANDBOOK OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS — Van Nostrand. Complete solutions of a wide range of practical problems are contained in this volume. Useful data in the form of tables makes it also a valuable handbook for students of mathematics.

Funds remain for the purchase of one or two more books to be selected in the field of engineering.

### Law

RESTATEMENT OF TORTS — American Law Institute Publishers. Law students know what a valuable reference book this is.

### Business

Kemmerer—THE A B C OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM — Princeton University Press.

The Federal Reserve System has been in operation for over twenty years, yet a large majority of the voters in this country know very little about its fundamental principals. This book explains, in terms the average reader can understand, why the system was instituted, how it is organized, and how it works.

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## Seniors Will Observe Class Day Ceremonies June 7 at the Bridgway

The Class of 1937 will hold its class banquet and class day exercises at the Hotel Bridgway on Monday evening, June 7, at 7 o'clock. The program will consist of short talks and entertainment, which will be followed by dancing to music furnished by Eddie Abrahamson's Commanders.

The class day program, arranged by John G. Walz, will include the greeting by Clayton V. Sisson, a short talk by Edward B. Cooley, the class prophecy given by Richard E. Menzel and Raymond L. Burati, the class ode by Nicholas A. Latino, class will testified to by Viola F. Hogan, class gift presented by Thomas F. Lynn, and remarks befitting the occasion by Mr. Churchill.

Harry Rosenbloom is serving as general chairman of the committee in charge of the Commencement activities. He is being assisted by Nicholas A. Latino, Harold F. Keyes, LaDoyt K. Teubner, Walter E. Kusnick, and the chairman of the banquet committee, Stanley Bigos.

The officers of the class are Clayton V. Sisson, president; Harry Rosenbloom, vice-president; Viola F. Hogan, secretary; Richard E. Menzel, treasurer; Thomas F. Lynn, member-at-large.



# Television

By Robert D. Walker '42

What is television? In a broadcasting sense television is the instantaneous transmission of images of objects and scenes.

To most people television is something new brought about by the development of radio. As a matter of fact its history began in 1873 with the discovery of selenium, a chemical element that is sensitive to the frequencies of light. In 1884 Nipkow, a German scientist, invented the Nipkow scanning disc, which was the forerunner of the present mechanical television system.

Out of Thomas Edison's invention of the vacuum incandescent bulb came the radio tube and from this came the cathode ray tube. The cathode ray tube makes possible the **radio** television system. This method of television was developed with the help of many men, but to Philo J. Farnsworth must go the credit for applying the cathode ray tube to television in such a way that commercial success could be predicted.

How does the radio television system work? First we must have a picture. On this picture there are varying shades of light from white to black. These shades of light are the print by which the cathode ray tube reads the picture. This tube is really the eye of the television transmitter. It breaks the picture into four hundred horizontal lines and then reads the variation in the intensity of light in each line. There may be as many as sixty variations from light to dark in every inch of the line.

These variations in light are read by the cathode ray tube in terms of electrical cycles or frequencies; each variation from light to dark forms one cycle. One tiny picture one inch square having light variations equal to thirty cycles in every line will be broken into twelve thousand electrical cycles. When this picture has been broken up and transmitted and then reassembled in the home receiver it will form one still frame. To give the human eye the impression of motion the picture or frame must be changed at least sixteen times every second. In television transmission the picture is changed thirty times a second to prevent flicker and give uninterrupted motion on the screen. The television eye then reads 360,000 letters or cycles every second.

From the eye these electrical letters go to the brain of the broadcasting station, the transmitter itself. Here they are multiplied by the carrier current, which is measured in short wave or high frequency, and sent into space. (Short wave or high frequency is the term used to express the number of cycles which occur in one second when the figure runs into millions.)

The receiving of television in the home is just the opposite of the transmission. The electrical current is picked up in the antenna by means of induction and sent to the receiver, which is the brain of the home set. The receiver separates the carrier frequency from the electrical letters. These letters are sent to the cathode ray tube, the final stage, to be reassembled into the motion picture. The tube has a screen on one end and prints the picture line by line thirty times a second on this visible screen as the electrical letters are received.

All this action, the scanning, transmission, receiving, and reassembling of the picture, takes place instantly and simultaneously. At the instant the cathode ray tube in the broadcasting station is scanning or reading the picture, the other cathode ray tube in the home receiver is printing it, letter by letter and line by line. The action takes place so fast that the human eye sees only the complete picture and the continuous motion.

Television is ready for use in the home, but the average person will not have it in

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# Persons and Personalities

## Behind the Man Behind the Desk—Dr. Anderson

By Leonard M. Baldwin '42

Luther Anderson, native of Salina, Kansas, was graduated from Yale University. Old Eli conferred upon him the degrees B. A., M. A., and Ph. D. in the years 1903, 1904, and 1907, respectively.

As staff correspondent for the Chicago Daily News, Doctor Anderson has dwelt among the natives of both China and the Philippine Islands. This experience, coupled with that of having twice circled the globe, has given him the ability to speak authoritatively on world affairs.

Doctor Anderson joined the staff of instruction at Springfield Northeastern in 1920 and has served the University's School of Business for seventeen consecutive years.

Of Northeastern students and the future of this University Doctor Anderson says, "Northeastern students are superior to other college students, because of their practical business experience. Springfield Northeastern will continue to grow, and in future years there will be a demand for a Day School here."

## "Most Likely to Succeed" of '36 Doing Just That

By Leo F. Smith '42

In September, 1930, a young man approached Mr. Churchill to see if it was possible to study at Northeastern University and earn his tuition at the same time. Impressed by his sincerity, Mr. Churchill gave him a job which just about paid for his tuition. This chap was Harold J. Farrell, of Holyoke, who graduated with High Honor in 1936.

At the class day exercises, his classmates voted him the member most likely to succeed. The prophecy is in the process of

fulfillment. Shortly after graduation, he entered the employ of the Farr Alpaca Company, in Holyoke, as chief accountant. Within a short time he was promoted to a position as Auditor and Tax Accountant.

Not only has Mr. Farrell lived up to the expectation of his classmates, but he has shown his confidence in his Alma Mater by recommending three Northeastern men for important positions with his company, and another for a position with White and Wyckoff, his former employer.

## Seeing America First Happy Incident of Job

Morey I. Stearns '35 is now a traveling auditor in the Real Estate Department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, covering territory which extends from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico and from the Atlantic seaboard to Denver, Colorado. At present he is stationed in the Texas district.

## TELEVISION

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his home for several years. There are three reasons for this. The first is the limited distance over which it can be transmitted; then the high cost of the home unit must be taken into consideration. The third reason is the most important. It is the way in which television is to be introduced to the American people. It will not be pushed onto the market with a big rush. Instead it will come slowly, step by step, with the large cities leading the way. The large cities will get broadcasting stations first, and, naturally, the demand for television receivers will be in those cities. But each passing year will see the web of television grow until it engulfs the entire nation and eventually the whole world. Then one may travel without leaving home; he can stay at home and see the world.

# Nature Nips Non-Nipper<sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup>Non-Nipper—The last person you'd think nature would nip

By Samuel S. Abrams '38



He was out for his daily morning stick-up—a man so mean that, having gone down twice while swimming, he had to be coaxed to come up the third time—a man whose sole act of kindness had been to stand up once in a crowded trolley and give a short rest to the woman on whose lap he was sitting.

His favorite joke was to sneak up behind a friend and yell, "Boo!", just to see how long it would take for his hair to turn gray. As a baby he nailed his father's shoes to the floor, with his father in them, and kept him out of work for three days. The room was so cold that even the fire went out; it couldn't stand it. He was ill at ease unless being put through the third degree; his hands would have looked natural in hand-cuffs. In fact, his only regular exercise consisted of running around the block until he gave the officers the slip. He was so tough that he used to drink boiling water and then swallow the egg raw. He ripped both tongues out of his shoes because he thought he heard them whisper.

His general appearance was such that people, seeing him approach, would point to where their money was and raise their hands even before he held them up. It was rumored that he once compressed the throat of a fellow-pedestrian to such an extent that a size fourteen collar was roomy on what had previously been an ample fifteen and one-half neck. He was so devoid of heart that doctors wondered what pumped his blood. His idea of charity was to steal the clothes off your back and leave you a barrel. He was so cruel that he used to scare children into believing he was the "Bogey-man" and then go around asking for protection money. In other words, he was a combination of Frankenstein and Gerald Chapman, with the disposition of a man-eating tiger which has seen nothing but women for three weeks. This is our hero, portrayed in his pleasanter moments.

I found him one day at the corner of State and School Streets, staring in astonishment. Those eyes which a short time ago had been as soft as a frozen tomato now seemed to glow; something moved on his face. The corners of his lips were struggling hard to raise themselves, and they finally succeeded in achieving a result that looked as much like a smile as a counterfeit five-dollar bill resembles the original. I heard this plug-ugly murmur, "Ain't those crocuses just too cute? And those lilies—how they do smell!" Then, as suddenly as it had happened, his eyes became as hard as a pawnbroker's heart, and the lips came down with a crash that could be heard for blocks. He looked furtively to right and left to see if any one had noticed his brief relapse. Apparently assured, he put his hand on his black-jack and strode away.

I had seen him, however, in that moment of weakness when he had one knee on the ground, that minute when nature had scored a complete knock-down of this W. P. A. job of a man. Yes, there is no doubt about it. Nature sure had nipped a non-nipper.

## Justin Explains Evolution to Himself

By A. Martha Davis '40

Justin meandered up and down  
His treetop thoroughfare.  
His whistle shrilled at intervals.  
He giggled here and there.

"How smart I am!" he laughed aloud,  
"Whenever I have dined  
On turtles knees, and thistle-fuzz,  
And ooze, and lemon-rind."

Then he sat down upon a limb  
And licked his chops a while,  
Until he'd licked his whistle shut  
And chewed up all his smile.

"Now I am sad again," he mourned,  
"And everywhere I see  
The signs of progress in the world  
And its futility.

"I see the world stretched out for me  
A million years from now.  
I hear a lot of talk of peace  
With everywhere a row.

"I see my dear descendants try  
To hide away from truth.  
I hear them cheer a painless way  
They've found to fill a tooth.

"I see them disregarding fun  
To settle this and that.  
They think of where they're going to,  
But never where they're at.

"And where they come from bothers  
them,  
And why, especially,  
Man ever left the starting place  
To climb a family tree."

And Justin sobbed. "My great grandad  
Had a great grandad who knew  
The uncle of somebody's son  
Who was often bored and blue.

"But progress knocked against his door;  
What did he do but choose  
To crawl upon the shore instead  
Of sleeping in the ooze.

"When he had crawled around a while  
And filled his lungs with air  
He got himself an appetite  
That chased him everywhere.

"That made the start of trouble for  
Mankind both far and wide,  
And always since, mankind has lived  
With progress by its side."

## Noise of Fire Department No Bar to Its Efficiency

The wail of sirens on speeding fire-trucks provided instructors with stiff competition for a few minutes on Thursday, May 6, at about 7:30 o'clock. Jim Kilburn tore his attention from Judge Spooner's lecture on Evidence long enough to remark lightly to Harry Rosenbloom, "I hope that isn't my car." Surely nothing less than a brisk blaze in the gallery of a crowded theater would call forth such a cordon of fire-eaters.

Ray Burati, assured of a ride home,

walked up Mattoon Street with Jim. The incident had been forgotten until Jim, in sudden dismay, wondered what had happened to the window of his car. A closer view disclosed that the window was merely broken—that having been the only way in which to gain access to the interior. One side of the front seat had been chopped to a fine fluff, from which water oozed. Attached to the upholstery was a note stating that a brief case found in the vehicle might be reclaimed at the Walnut Street Fire Station.

The mystery of the great fire was solved, and Jim appreciated the efficiency of the fire department.

# Landlubbers Cruise on the S-20

By Edward A. Hachadorian '42

The anticipated cruise which we had been promised aboard a naval submarine finally became a reality when thirty-six officers and enlisted men of the Springfield Naval Reserves leaped from the gang plank at the "sub" base onto the deck of a strange-looking, long, black craft which was soon to bear us into the wet domain of His Majesty, King Neptune, ruler of the seven seas.

"Fall in for muster," yelled the bos'n's mate; "Line up in sections."

Muster over, we were given brief instructions while still on deck by the ship's officer as to safety precautions and regulations while aboard the "sub".

From the bridge came, "Cast off," and the bowman, with a heave of the hawser, released our last tie with shore.

Suddenly a low rumble shook the boat, and the dock started moving away from us. This illusion quickly passed and we realized that it was the sub and not the dock that was under way.

Slowly we backed down and, upon reaching the channel of the Thames, swung our bow down stream. From top side, we could hear the twin diesels pick up to cruising speed. The boat was now knifing through the water at about twelve knots, leaving behind a mad swirling wake which after much display realized the uselessness of its anger and calmed down to join the more peaceful portions of the Thames.

The first section, to which I was assigned, was led below by our officer in charge for a lecture tour. As he selected the first compartment, of which there are six, it was the forward escape hatch by which we entered the belly of this mechanical fish. We wondered for a moment whether chubby Adolph, who found it a difficult exercise to climb down the narrow hatch, would be able to join us, but with a little squeezing and heaving he finally made it. After rearranging his uniform which, incidentally, was one of those quick fit affairs, he strolled over to where we were assembled. He arrived in time to hear the officer say, "These four tubes in the bow are the torpedo tubes, from which these torpedoes you see on the racks at the sides of the compartment are shot."

Among the other necessary equipment such as escape lungs, oxygen tank, sound instrument, etc., in this compartment, was an emergency submarine marker. In the event of an accidental sinking, this marker, which is bouyant and contains a telephone, can be released. It then rises to the surface of the water and marks the location of the sunken submarine.

Word reached us that we were now out in the sound and heading toward the diving area off Block Island. There was nothing we could do but wait, so we resumed our tour of inspection.

We left the torpedoes in the excellent care of the Chief Torpedo Mate, who cleverly answered the numerous questions we shot at him. After passing through the berth compartment we entered the control room, situated amidships and containing most of the navigating instruments. However, when the sub is running on the surface it is controlled from the conning tower which is directly overhead. This section is more interesting when the sub is running under water, so we decided to leave it for the present and return later. Anyway, we wanted to see the diesel engines. We passed through the after battery compartment and into the engine room.

What a racket! The chief engineer had to shout to be heard and even then some of us were unable to absorb all of the information given out. These engines are operat-



ed only while the sub is running on the surface as they require an enormous amount of air. While the sub is running under water its power is supplied by two electrically-driven motors which are located in the last compartment.

We were near the diving area and the excitement of knowing that we soon would pay our respects to the old King seemed only to add fuel to our burning desire to "get at it".

The tour of supervised inspection over, we were dismissed and allowed to roam about the sub to talk with the members of the regular crew. My pal Joe and I decided we would go top side for a little sunning before we made the dive. The Chief Bos'n spotted us as we started up the escape hatch and warned us about getting down again in a hurry when the Klaxon horn and Siren were sounded. This is the signal which indicates a crash dive.

We had been enjoying the sun for about ten minutes when the signal we were waiting for came. With a speed that would have been a credit to Jesse Owens, Joe and I half slid, half climbed down the nearest hatch and into the engine compartment. We arrived in time to see the engine cut out and the electric motors cut in. Each regular was at his station and working feverishly to respond to the many signals which were sounded and flashed.

Everything, so it seemed, was happening at once. Hatches were battened down, some valves were opened and others closed. What appeared to be only routine to the regulars was new and exciting to us.

Joe and I hurried to the control compartment, where we saw the Commanding Officer sighting through one of the two periscopes. He had already given the order to dive and the bow, responding to a movement of the controls, began to nose downward. After a depth of forty feet had been reached the sub was levelled off and we continued on a straight course. Several times the Commanding Officer checked the course with the navigator, and after assuring himself that everything was

proper he turned the periscope over to his officer on watch.

The covers were ordered removed from the lens of the second periscope so that we could take turns looking through it. I was fortunate in having my turn come last because I could spend more time. After a few moments of seeing nothing but water and sky, I spotted a sail boat that was about two miles away. The officer on watch who was check sighting told me I had done well as it is rather difficult for a beginner to see an object when he first looks through a periscope.

The sound-recording instrument set up in the torpedo compartment was our next attraction. This instrument can pick up through a diaphragm mounted on top and outside of this compartment the sound vibrations of another ship's motors. It also aids in recording the number of turns of its propellers. This of course is valuable information in determining the speed of the ship. We had turns listening through the earphones and were able to hear plainly the vibrations of a ship some distance away.

The only thing of importance that we hadn't done while on board was to go up in the conning tower and look through the glass-covered port holes. So up we went, two at a time. I must report that, though I peered through the ports for about five minutes, I was unsuccessful in catching a glimpse of the grand old keeper of the seas, no, not even Davy Jones or the fishes. Only the sound's clear, green-tinted water flashed by. I gave up my position to one of my mates and stepped down the ladder. Joe was waiting for me in the control room and discussing with several of our friends the events of the day.

After being under water in a closed submarine for about forty minutes the air becomes rather close, even though oxygen is released into the compartments. Although nobody complained, I imagine a few of the boys were mighty glad when the bow was suddenly tilted upward to the surface.

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for eye of man,

or

## Reflections on a dull prosaic fellow

By Henry H. Franklin '41

"When in nakedness alone  
then rip thy flesh: then rend thy bone  
scoop forth thy palpitating heart  
and tear its ventricles apart  
gut thyself: green and bare  
lend a new stench to the air.  
But keep this play for hell or home:  
fear the Romans when in Rome.  
The brain is shielded by its pan:  
clothe thy Self for eye of man."

John Schaffner, III.

### CIVIL ENGINEER

A transit, trim and true, against the sky—  
Proud symbol of the race of man  
In search of old, old truth  
And beauty bare.

### COMMON LAW LOVER

There will be quiet laughter in the night  
And we shall send our voices down the wind.  
There will be peace and joy and swift delight—  
And those all quick to say that we have sinned.

### JOURNALIST

Rejection slips dismay me not.  
The world is poorer that they did not use the stuff.  
And so am I.

### FARMER

There's a peace that makes a man content—  
not to be looking to the sea or over mountains,  
not to be wandering (or hankering after islands), when there's  
a fire, a lamp and books at night: a home  
and a wife in it beautiful, knitting a pair of socks.  
This is life—richer for the wind that sobs in the eaves  
its burden of sorrow, of loss of life (my father gone),  
of winter, change, and sadness everywhere.  
Yes, life is best lived bare. To see the sun strike through  
the mist and cut the pockets from the hills at dawn  
is glory; to breathe a morning's frost and savor  
the first smoke of one's own breakfast fire—that's pride;  
and bringing water from the spring is joy  
enough. Be warned, my friend, and come to us: do not  
be staying long, or you'll stay on forever:  
there's a peace that makes a man content  
not to be looking to the sea . . .

# Middlebury Smith

## Chapter 4. Middlebury Seeks a Promotion

By A. Martha Davis '40

May 15, 1937

Mr. Randolph Smith  
Personel Department  
XY Foundry  
Sumburg,  
Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Being of the same name I venture to approach you with a subject near and dear to my heart, though I say so who shouldn't. Anything of interest to our industry in which we are mutually engaged, in spite of the fact that I am now married, makes me of interest too.

You will remember that last summer your office help went on respective vacations and somebody had to be in the office to help while the help took turns being out and I was the one. That is why I am considering myself qualified to make me an applicant for the office help job that is now open. I am tired of working in the shop. I rely on your remembering that I was indeed a help when things went wrong, and you will unconsciously want me back so I am bringing it to your attention and oblige.

There was one day when you were out and I was in that I was able to fix things and I will tell you so that you may add to my previous good report.

This day they asked me to stamp envelopes with the stamping machine so I went out to put in water in the slot and on the little pieces of felt that run over the stamps in the machine and while they were soaking so as to become absorbed the plug caught on my little finger and in coming out let out the water. The pieces of felt, being in the water and very small, were swept down the drain, and you realize the predicament, per se.

That is where I became a help for I was quick sighted enough to call a plumber who came, took the pipes apart and I was able to rescue the felts and got the envelopes stamped only one day late.

There was also the matter of that same afternoon when a door slammed behind me and left the key inside. So all the while the plumber was coming, going back for his tools, and coming again, I was bending a wire so that the lock, which was inside, could be reached from the outside by looking backwards through a mirror.

Lest you believe that I am responsible for things going wrong may I remind you that the time the lights went out on me when I began to print plates on the Addressograph, and we spent the afternoon checking all the fuses in the place and didn't find any bad ones, it wasn't my fault because I didn't blow the fuse. The only trouble was that the plug wasn't screwed in tight enough.

Needless to say, other office help in such trouble do not get out as I do, who have had experience.

Please return enclosed application accepted.

Yours very truly,  
Middlebury Smith

# Practical Aspects of Mental Hygiene<sup>+</sup>

## No. I. First Lessons in Everyday Psychology

By Calvert Stein, M. D., Law '38

<sup>+</sup>Specially adapted for the Nor'easter from Stein, "Outlines of Mental Hygiene", copyrighted 1933; and Stein, "The Role of Mental Hygiene in General Practice", New England Journal of Medicine, Vol. 214, p. 665, April 2, 1936. C. S.

### I. Introduction.

People talk. People tell tales—mostly about themselves, of course; but to those who will study the signs much more than was intended is revealed. Actions speak louder than words "only because language is a less primitive medium of expression." The lie-detector capitalizes the well-known effect of fear and other emotional excitement on those organs that one cannot consciously control, viz. heart, intestines, blood vessels, and skin (sweating, blushing, changes in pulse, blood pressure and respiration). The physician is concerned with these organs when they are organically affected, as in illness, accident and disease. The psychologist, usually a doctor of philosophy, is concerned with emotions, personal relationships, human behavior, educational tests and measurements (psychometry), salesmanship, and industrial efficiency, etc. The psychiatrist is a medical psychologist who not only treats people who are mentally deranged, but also seeks to **prevent** such derangement by the study of personality conflicts, emotional complexes, and behavior disorders and idiosyncrasies, and by treating these problems as early as possible. Such prophylaxis or prevention is called "Mental Hygiene," and everyone practices it to some extent in his everyday life.

### II. Importance of Mental Hygiene.

Figures are often dull; but these are instructive:

1. There are about six million beds in about 7000 hospitals in the U. S.
2. Nearly 50 per cent of these in only 631 hospitals are occupied by nervous and mental cases.
3. There are 178,516 physicians in the U. S.
4. Less than 2 per cent of these, or 2,341, specialize in neurology and psychiatry.
5. Nearly 20 per cent of the Massachusetts State budget each year is spent in the Department of Mental Diseases caring for only 0.6 per cent of our state population.

If we can learn to prevent some of these breakdowns, or to make living happier and better for ourselves, our time will have been well spent.

### III. Common Denominators of Human Behavior.

All behavior is purposive, and carries us either towards pain or pleasure. Too much pleasure becomes painful; and too much pain may lead to unconsciousness, and so to comparative pleasure through relief of distress. Self-preservation is the primary natural law. Until the will to live changes to the suicidal will to die, all human behavior is directed primarily to the business of getting a living—protection from danger, enemies, and the elements, and to the procuring of food. "What does he do?" rather than "Why does he do it?" crystalizes this concept; and when danger threatens one, culture's thin veneer rapidly peels, leaving primitive instincts exposed, and but little controlled.

Reproduction lest the species perish takes second place in fundamental natural law. For this reason the sexual instinct was made a powerful one, yet still secondary to the call of an empty stomach, and the threat of natural enemies. (Continued on Page 18)



## HILARITY REIGNS

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a good cigar during the main address, only to be disappointed (?) or dazed by the rapidity with which the main speakers disposed of their duties. The Coolidge style was beautifully emulated by both Mr. Churchill and Harley B. Goodrich '37. Mr. Brown had a few rattlingly bad moments in which he held on tightly to his chair, expecting to be asked to say a few words. He was saved.

As the banquet progressed, a certain group of instructors attracted much attention by their loud guffaws. Their jokes must have been good, for Dr. Anderson was red in the face from laughing. Another short, stocky gentleman whose convulsions shook his whole body was occasionally silenced by a stern glance from his embarrassed wife.

With the banquet and speeches completed, the crowd was soon "tripping it on the light fantastic" to the delightful rhythm of Abrahamson's orchestra. The amused drummer carried a leering grin on his face all evening, occasionally making eyes at some pretty girl.

One group of high spirited ladies and gentlemen attempted to offer a vocal expression of their feelings, only to meet with competition from Mr. J. Caruso D. Churchill, who felt that the old favorites should not be forgotten.

The grand march was performed in regular military style. At one time there were sixteen marching abreast on the floor.

The decorations of the hall were done in true Northeastern style.

Compliments concerning the excellence with which they planned and executed the event fell like garlands of victory upon the members of the Student Council.

## CLASS GIFT OF 1936

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Beard—AN ECONOMIC INTERPRETATION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES—Macmillan.

Mr. Beard first published this volume in 1913 during the discussion of Mr. Theodore Roosevelt's "New Nationalism." It was a timely publication of aid to many in the discussion of Mr. Roosevelt's statement that "by the abuse of the power to declare laws unconstitutional, the courts have become a law-making instead of law-enforcing agency." This second edition is also timely in view of the fact that the discussion of the Supreme Court has again taken the headlines.

Beard—AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS—Macmillan.

The author deals with government as having three divisions—federal, state, and local. Throughout the text he stresses the social forces which determine the actions and functions of government and politics, rather than merely describing their machinery.

RECENT SOCIAL TRENDS (Report of President Hoover's Research Committee on Social Trends)—M-Graw-Hill.

In December, 1929, President Hoover appointed a committee of scientists to make a survey of the social trends in the United States. This book is a report of their findings. Of this report Mr. Hoover says "It should serve to help all of us to see where social stresses are occurring and where major efforts should be taken to deal with them constructively."

Hockett and Schlesinger—POLITICAL AND SOCIAL GROWTH OF THE UNITED STATES (Volumes I and II)—Macmillan.

These volumes offer a vivid and interesting history of the social and political growth of this country. Volume I covers the period from 1492-1851; Volume II, the period from 1852-1933.

Moon—IMPERIALISM AND WORLD POLITICS—Macmillan.

Dr. Moon points out the importance of imperialism in our modern history. He does not, however, limit his remarks and facts to the imperialism of European powers, but includes the imperialistic moves of the United States as well.

## FIRST LESSONS IN PSYCHOLOGY

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Adaptation and variation, or "when in Rome do as the Romans do", expresses the normal desire of the individual to adjust to the demands and customs of that group of society in which he chooses to live; and is the third of the common denominators through which we shall come to a better understanding of human behavior and personality. "Know thyself" is the adopted motto of psychology, for only in knowledge is there safety, and the beginnings of wisdom.

### IV. Orientation.

"The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and there is no new thing under the sun."

The doctrines of mental hygiene are no exception to this ecclesiastical rule. Such Proverbs as, "Hope deferred maketh the heart sick" (Prov. 13.12); "Better is a dinner of herbs, where love is—" (15.17); "Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than a house full of feasting with strife" (17.1); and "A cheerful heart is a good medicine—" (17.22); indicate that the new science of the prevention of mental ill health is little more than a repetition of ancient truths which have been forgotten in our all too busy lives.

Even the modern emphasis upon child guidance, the one fruitful and most promising field of mental hygiene, was anticipated some four hundred years ago by the Aztec Indians who laid down the following cardinal rules for the guidance of their children: "(1) The avoidance of gormandizing and the careful regulation of food; (2) the avoidance of idleness; (3) strict punishment; and (4) vocational training." While the Aztecs in turn were anteceded by at least two thousand years by the writers of the Old Testament, as illustrated by the following additional excerpts from the Book of Proverbs:

"Even a child maketh himself known by his doings—" (20.11); "But a child left to himself causeth shame to his mother" (29.15); "Foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child; but the rod of

correction shall drive it far behind him" (22.15). "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it" (22.6).

There is nothing new in mental hygiene, then, except perhaps the somewhat tardy recognition that children are human beings with sensitive, though small, personalities of their own, and with a crying need for sympathetic understanding. It is this need which modern child guidance aims to supply; and thereby offers the most promising avenue of approach to the problems of social maladjustment, and personal unhappiness.

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## LANDLUBBERS CRUISE

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The method for surfacing is a reversal of that for diving. It wasn't long before the hatches were opened and the diesels again cut in and propelling us back toward the base.

Because there were too many on board to accommodate, we had to wait until we got back to the base before we had chow. The mess cook, however, did treat us to coffee. I might add that although it wasn't the kind that mother makes, it served its purpose.

The run back required only about an hour and a half and we went directly to the mess hall. Boy, were we hungry! Judging from the appearance of those dinner dishes the mess cooks must have had an easy afternoon cleaning up. Even though the day's events were a new and exciting experience, I do believe that when I say we spent one of the most enjoyable hours of the day right there in the mess hall, I am expressing the opinions of us all.

After chow we inspected the various departments of the base, which included the diesel engine and torpedo laboratories, practice diving tower, machine shop, class rooms, radio station, and the newest boat commissioned in the United States Navy, the P-7. It is a submarine of the newest type and has been named the "Permit".

The Navy has several interesting depart-

ments within its service, but many people believe the submarines to be the most fascinating. I do.

It was a satisfied gang of Reserves that headed back toward Springfield, where we told of our experiences aboard the S-20.

## GOD SAVE THE KING!

By Thaddeus J. Drewniak '42

Picture a colorful Scotch Highlander; picture him as a youth of seventeen, about five feet, eleven inches in height, broad shouldered, well built and dark haired. Station him at Piccadilly Circus, on the route of the coronation of His Majesty, King Edward VII, grandfather of the newly crowned King George VI, and before you stands Mr. John Dickson, of 208 Laurelton Street, Springfield, Mass.

On Wednesday, May 12, Mr. Dickson was up early to listen with interest to the morning broadcast. It vividly recalled to his mind that memorable 9th of August, 1902, coronation day of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra.

Mr. Dickson had been admitted to the ranks of the Scotch Highlanders at sixteen. You see, he appeared to be nineteen. At any rate, it was the recruiting officer's judgment, not Mr. Dickson's integrity. After about fifteen months of service he was among those fortunate to be chosen for coronation duty. On August 4, 1902, his regiment entered London. They pitched tents and camped in Hyde

Park, about two miles from Piccadilly Circus, where he was to be stationed. On August 4, 5, and 6, they rested, cleaned equipment, and otherwise prepared themselves. On August 7, they were assigned to their posts. The mobs had been wild in the streets for nearly a week. They danced till exhausted, fought, slept where they fell, etc. Mr. Dickson had not a moment of loneliness.

On coronation day troops were stationed shoulder to shoulder all along the route, some eight miles long. They were reinforced by policemen stationed every twenty feet. In back rose the grand stands eight to ten tiers high. With a sigh Mr. Dickson recalled the painful tedium of presenting arms continuously for four hours. He distinctly remembers an officer who, having fallen forward from exhaustion, crawled behind the ranks, drew a drougt of whisky from his flask and returned to his post. For a week after the event many soldiers felt as though they had been ossified during that 9th of August.

I asked Mr. Dickson if the disadvantages of his duty didn't outweigh the advantages. With a smile he answered, "It could have been worse." I asked him what he thought of the abdication of Edward VIII. This time with a thoughtful countenance and a slow head shake he said,

"Thousands of men gave up their lives for the crown but Edward gave up the crown for a woman."

## GLIMPSES OF CLASS OF 1937

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ducted by Northeastern. He also attended the Springfield Engineering Institute. In 1936 Mr. Walz received the Junior Scholarship Award, made possible by Delta Chapter of Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity. He has charge of the program for Class Day. He is employed as a laboratory technician by Westinghouse at the East Springfield plant. He received a provisional commencement appointment. Subject of thesis: "Present Day Domestic Refrigeration."





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## Six Receive Provisional Appointments

Six students in the class of 1938 have received provisional commencement appointments. These honors, based primarily on scholarship, have been earned by four students in the School of Law and two students in the School of Business. The students so honored are Paul Bloom, Richard H. Lake, Andrew Linton, Jr., William K. McCoubrey, Paul A. Trudel, and Peter D. Wilson.

Paul Bloom, the son of Mrs. Anne Bloom, is married, resides at 776 Belmont Avenue, and is a partner in the Meyer Bloom Umbrella Company. He was graduated from the High School of Commerce in 1933, standing among the highest in his class. On the basis of his record in high school, he was awarded a freshman scholarship by the University. During his freshman year in the School of Law Mr. Bloom was one of the recipients of an award of Corpus Juris reference books for excellence in the course in Library Reference. This student's name appeared on the Dean's list for the academic year 1936-37. He is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Laws at commencement in June.

Richard Hudson Lake is the son of Mrs. Florence H. Lake, resides at 18 Woronoco Avenue, Westfield, and is employed by the Albert Steiger Company in this city. At Westfield High School, from which he was graduated, he stood high in the upper quarter of his class. After graduation from high school he attended Massachusetts State College for two years where he majored in science. In the fall of 1934 Mr. Lake entered Northeastern University with considerable advanced standing credit. He appeared on the Dean's list for the year 1934-35. Mr. Lake is a member of the Theta Chi Fraternity and the Tekoa Country Club. In June he will be a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Engineering and Business.

Andrew Linton, Jr., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Linton and resides at 21 East Street, Ludlow. He is the head of the efficiency department at Ludlow Manufacturing and Sales Company, in Ludlow. Mr. Linton's secondary education was received at the Ludlow High School and the Evening Technical High School in Springfield. At the University his name appeared on the Dean's list for 1934-35. He is a member of the Engineering Society of Western Massachusetts and the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity of which he was secretary in 1935-36 and vice-president in 1936-37. Mr. Linton is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Engineering and Business.

William Kenneth McCoubrey of 373 Hampden Street, Chicopee, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. William McCoubrey, Jr. He graduated from Chicopee High School where he was in the upper quarter of his class. At the University he won a place on the Dean's list for the year 1936-37. He is a member of the Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity serving on the membership committee this year. At commencement Mr. McCoubrey will receive the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Paul Andre Trudel of Avenue A, Turners Falls, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Trudel and is connected with the Opera House Pharmacy of that town. At the Turners Falls High School he was one of the ranking students in his class of which he was president. In high school he was the recipient of a medal for proficiency in mathematics and science. Mr. Trudel is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Peter Duncan Wilson of 102 Hubbard Street, Ludlow, is the son of Mrs. Ellen T. Wilson. He is assistant foreman at the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. Mr. Wilson's pre-legal education was received at Morgan Academy,

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# University Library Adds New Books

In spite of the fact that the library at Springfield Northeastern is one to be proud of since it is equipped with even the latest books on innumerable subjects of interest to Northeastern students, there are many of us who seldom enter the school library unless we are looking for a fellow student or are compelled to refer to an assigned volume. I know that this is so because I am one of those who have to stop to think, "Which way is the library, anyway?"

And to think that all this while I've been one of those misguided individuals who thought that because I was somewhat busy trips to the school library could be dispensed with when I was figuring out my time budget! Now I have changed my mind. When one is compelled to budget time to make sure there is enough to go around, one wants every minute to count for something. Only recently, however, have I come to the realization that time spent in the library is a worthwhile investment.

Perhaps there are others among the students who, like myself, would change their attitude about the library if they took the trouble to discover exactly what it contains. The following tabulation is of recent additions to Springfield Northeastern's library. They have been acquired during the last year.

Among the new additions to the library at Springfield Northeastern are:

Time from Oct., 1937

Comparative Law Series from Jan., 1938  
Vol. II Television

McClintock on Equity (text)

Ely: Outlines of Economics

Dewey: Financial Policy of Corporations

Babson's new book, If Inflation Comes

The American Association for Adult Education has published these:

Hawkins: Educational Experiments in Social Settlements

Hill: Listen and Learn

Adam: Civic Value of Museums

Rowden: Enlightened Self-Interest

Ely: Why Forums? and Van de Wall

The Music of the People

Directory of Social, Health, and Educational Agencies in Greater Springfield

Elliott: The English Cooperatives

Childs: Sweden—The Middle Way

Hicks: Men and Books Famous in the Law

Jeans: Science and Music

Barnes: An Intellectual and Cultural History of the Western World

Gifts of the following volumes have been received:

Linton: Life Insurance Speaks for Itself  
Fundamentals of Economics by Gemmill, given by Mr. David H. Brown of the faculty.

The following books are from the estate of Clinton E. Bell:

Hotchkiss: Aviation Law

Huberich on Trading with the Enemy

Beale on Foreign Corporations

Ehrlich on Promoters

Machen: Modern Law of Corporations (2 vols.)

Parker: Courts and Lawyers of New England (4 vols.)

Von Holst: Constitutional History of the United States

Elliott on Railroads (6 vols.)

3 vols. on Slander & Libel

Current Digest, Vols. 1—10 incl.

## Sorority Elects

At a meeting of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority held Friday evening March 25, 1938 the following officers were elected for the year 1938-39

President—Mildred Lezinski

Vice President—Violet Desilets

Treasurer—Elizabeth Abihider

Secretary—Elizabeth Grzyzberg

## Pi Tau Kappa

The Pi Tau Kappa fraternity was organized in 1915 in the evening division of Boston Northeastern. There are now four chapters—Alpha in Boston, Beta in Worcester, Gamma in Providence and Delta in Springfield.

Delta chapter was started in 1923 with ten charter members among whom are City Treasurer George W. Rice and Stanley O. Smith, principal of the High School of Commerce and Northeastern accounting instructor.

The purposes of Pi Tau Kappa are to promote friendship among members and graduates of Northeastern for the interest and betterment of the University and its various schools and to foster and promote cooperation of its members in school and business.

Initiation meetings are held bi-monthly. Activities at these meetings usually commence with bowling in the afternoon followed by dinner at one of the local hotels. After dinner a speaker or entertainment is enjoyed and the new members are welcomed into the fraternity.

Social activities play an important part in Pi Tau Kappa affairs. Several parties are held each season. So far this school year the fraternity has had a costume Halloween party, a Christmas party and its annual formal dinner dance. Of special interest is the annual May gathering of the members of all chapters for a friendly competition.

Since 1926 Pi Tau Kappa has awarded a \$25 scholarship to the Junior receiving the highest average marks in all subjects during his period of attendance at Springfield Northeastern.

At present there are 127 active members in the local chapter. Karl A. Vester is president, Kenneth J. Van Wart, vice-president, John Raymond Lester, secretary, and Robert E. Sharpe, treasurer.

## Interfraternity Bowling

After school on Thursday night, February 10, five Pi Tau Kappa stalwarts eked out a 15 pin win over a stubborn Epsilon Phi Sigma quintet at the "Y" alleys. Bill Hardina, Emanuel Tesoro, Karl Vester, Bill Holmes, and Jack Teece rolled for the winners. Steve Warwick, Bill Buckley, Maurice Chaffin, Gene Riley, and Gilbert Amnott pegged at the timbers for the losers.

Two weeks later Epsilon Phi Sigma evened up matters in no uncertain fashion, subduing the "Kappas" by a comfortable margin of 80 pins. The winners had the same lineup with the exception of John Quirk who replaced Amnott. The P. T. K.'s had three new men in their roster including Stan Mathison, Les Williams, and Ken Fales.

On March 10, the deciding match, rolled at the "Y" alleys resulted in a victory for Epsilon Phi Sigma by 19 pins.

Chaffin with 107 rolled the high string for the champs; Vester's 103 was the best effort of the losers.

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## Parker Passes Exam

Notification has been received that Harry Parker, graduate of the class of 1937, has successfully passed the bar examination. Mr. Parker is married and resides at 3110 Main St., Springfield, Mass.

To qualify himself for the study of law, Mr. Parker had one year at Northeastern in the School of Business and also did some pre-college work. Upon graduating in June, Mr. Parker did not take the bar examinations, but deferred the taking of them until December. Although it is not exactly a rarity that one should pass the examination on the first attempt, it is a praiseworthy achievement.



## N.U.'s in Chicopee

By Edward R. Dupuis '39

ALBERT HOMON, JR. is a graduate of Northeastern University, Class of 1933 with a B. B. A. degree. He was employed by A. G. Spalding Bros. of Chicopee, as a cost clerk prior to entering the University.

He is now Manager of Stores Control in the same company.

"I know," said Mr. Homon, "that the knowledge I received at Northeastern was responsible for the position I now have."

Mr. Homon is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity.

STANLEY F. JORCZAK came to Chicopee to live in 1919 after being discharged from the United States Army, and, believing that Chicopee is a progressive city, opened a drug store at 138 Exchange Street.

Mr. Jorczak is a graduate of Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, receiving a PH. G. degree. He also received with his degree a certificate for Medical Bacteriology.

Shortly after his arrival in Chicopee, he decided to enter Northeastern University to study law, being particularly interested in contracts, but after his first year of law he decided to continue his law studies, which he did and graduated in 1925 receiving an L. L. B. degree. Still feeling the urge to acquire more knowledge Stanley entered the Boston University in 1925 to study for a master's degree, and received an L. L. M. degree in law.

Later he entered politics and was elected to the Board of Health, serving in this capacity from 1928 to 1930.

He was appointed City Solicitor in 1932 and served until 1934.

Upon entering the drug store I found Mr. Jorczak behind the counter ready to compound drugs to fill a prescription for me, but when I stated my purpose was an interview for the Nor'easter, he ushered me through a small corridor into his law

## P. T. K. Doings

JANUARY 29—Pi Tau Kappa held its annual formal dinner dance at the Highland Hotel. This dinner dance has, since its inception, been a P.T.K. social highlight and the affair this year proved no exception. The Highland served one of its famous steak dinners and needless to say proper justice was done to the meal. After dinner there were a few remarks from the guests at the head table including Director John D. Churchill and Mr. Maurice Blodgett of the faculty, Eugene Riley, president of Epsilon Phi Sigma and A. Martha Davis, president of Sigma Nu Upsilon. Irving Guyer and his orchestra played for dancing from 8.30 till midnight. All in all it was one of those never to be forgotten evenings.

FEBRUARY 19—An initiation meeting was held at the central Y. M. C. A. About 40 fellows, including delegates from Boston, Worcester, and Providence, enjoyed a dinner served by the "Y" spa afterwards walking en masse over to the Museum of Natural History to listen to Frank Korkosz tell about the stars and watch his marvelous projector display the heavenly bodies in the new planetarium. Everyone agreed that Springfield has reason to be proud of Mr. Korkosz and his achievement. On returning to the "Y" three candidates—Russell Sandstrom, Herbert Pace, and Alfred MacLennan were duly initiated.

office, and here is something to think about—a druggist, a lawyer, and a scholar. It is not necessary to speak with him very long before one feels the sincerity in his words. Personally I feel proud to have met the man, and as our hour of conversation, which seemed but a few minutes came to a close I received a promise from Mr. Jorczak of an article for the next issue of our paper. This we welcome most cordially.

## Dr. Stein Lectures

By Zabyda Abihider '40

How to "Cultivate our Personality" was graphically illustrated by slides and a lecture by Dr. Calvert Stein February 26 in the Oppenheim Room of the Y. M. C. A. The program was sponsored by the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

Never so important as it is today in our competitive business world is our personality. Dr. Stein outlined briefly the make up of our personality—namely, reputation, that is what others think we are and which may be false; and character, that is what we really are. Personality is the ability to sell ourselves—to be ourselves. Individualism is the essence of personality. In our striving to imitate others we lose our perspective.

Appearance, activity, accomplishment and reputation make up our personality. Voice, too must be taken into consideration. In salesmanship we must attain attention and arouse interest. Before having interest one must gain attention. He must have the ability to appeal to others.

The introvert and extrovert types of persons were discussed. Diagrams and slides were introduced to illustrate the different points stressed. Every human being is affected by his heredity, environment and activity. Heredity cannot be altered. Environment, if it is not pleasing, can be changed by our activities. History demonstrates to us the successful accomplishments of those who won by doing the most with what they had to do with. American independence and tolerance were personified by the beloved Will Rogers, who made much of himself.

How can we cultivate our personality? This is a very broad subject, but briefly, one of the first things to do is to make an analysis of ourselves. What are our assets, liabilities, limitations? Plan a constructive program; modify it; find something within our reach. Cultivate our abilities, tone down our weaknesses, make a careful selection of our friends. Build up self-confidence, take up a hobby—do

## The Distaff Side

By Iris Fresco '42

Martha Davis, '42, editor-in-chief of The Nor'easter and president of Sigma Nu Upsilon, returned to school a short while ago. She had been confined to her home in Westfield with a bad case of the mumps for about two weeks.

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Bertha Louise Rowley, '39, School of Business, Accounting curriculum, was married to K. Kenneth Whitney, November 11, 1937, at the Federated Church in Hinesburg, Vermont. The Reverend Scott Cooley performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Whitney was president of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority when she left school. At a party in honor of her marriage, the sorority presented Mrs. Whitney with a Silex Coffee Maker and a 14-piece Cambridge luncheon set.

The bride was a graduate of the High School of Commerce, class of 1932, and before her marriage, was employed as a clerk at the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co.

The couple have made their home in Norwich, Connecticut, where Mr. Whitney is employed as a boys' instructor at the New London County Home.

Mrs. Whitney planned to continue her studies at the Providence division of Northeastern.

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The first of February, Claire R. Vautrain, enrolled as an unclassified student in the School of Business, Management curriculum, left school to enter training at the Children's Hospital in Boston.

Miss Vautrain was a graduate of Classical High School, class of 1936. While at Northeastern, she was a very active member on the entertainment committee of the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority. The sorority tendered a farewell party to Claire a few days before she left.

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something in which we excel. There is no short cut to developing a pleasing personality.

## LOST AND FOUND

By Ted Drewniak '42

If you have missed a schoolmate,  
If you wonder what has befallen him,  
Search tenaciously and you may be en-  
lightened.

Raymond A. Aalto '43 of 37 Denton Circle, Springfield was with the Bay State Elevator Company in their drafting department. He was transferred to Washington, D. C. Judging from the circumstances, Mr. Aalto should go up. Besides being in close contact with elevators, he is among all the high-mucky-mucks. Going up, Ray!

Harry Kopyscinski '43 of 143 Almira Road, Springfield, formerly employed by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, has transferred to American International College. Mr. Kopyscinski must have been gifted with extraordinary foresight. His transfer coincided with the recession and layoff at Westinghouse. Harry is utilizing daylight for study!

Theodore P. Milton '41 of 35 Vassar Street, Springfield, is employed by Forbes & Wallace, Inc. A departmental transfer rendered him unable to pursue further his law course. Here's a tip! N. U. students must be at a premium at Forbes. They gain remarkable promotions as evidenced by this and the following item.

Herbert A. Pace '42 of 897 Liberty Street, Springfield was also employed by Forbes & Wallace, Inc. Together with all the other blessed events at Christmas time came Herbert's promotion to Schenectady, N. Y. Besides a substantial increase in pay, he will learn the fur buying trade. No chance that Herbert will be a bookworm now, even though he was on the dean's list last year. He will revel in luxurious furs instead.

Robert F. Sullivan '43 of 28 Ward Street, Chicopee Falls, is employed by the Fisk Rubber Corporation. A job transfer necessitates his learning stenography. "Remember the stilus" is Bob's motto now. Fellowmen, there is hope for us—stenography isn't a female monopoly yet!

## GIRL STUDENTS LEAVE

During the last quarter two woman students, Miss Cecilia T. Serpa, freshman in the School of Law, and Miss Ruth E. Curtis, an unclassified student in the Management curriculum, School of Business, dropped out of class work at Northeastern.

Due to an attack of the grippe and because of the nature of her employment, which takes her out of the city a great deal of the time, Miss Serpa had been absent from school for about a month. She is employed as a labor organizer. It was with regret that Miss Serpa notified the office of the necessity of her withdrawing from all freshman subjects.

Miss Curtis dropped out of her only course, Government Controls in Business, because she was transferred to Boston quite suddenly by her employer. Miss Curtis graduated from DePauw University with an A.B. degree, 1930, and was employed as a social worker for the WPA in Springfield. She has also completed all classroom requirements for her M.A. degree at Syracuse University, but has yet to complete her thesis to receive this degree.

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## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

### How to Form an Opinion

By Paul Chmiel '43

Take one bunch of impartial views. Wash well in prejudice and throw away any you don't like. Put in a bowl and chop well. Mix in carefully one cup of wild theories. Measure out and slowly add one pint of neighborhood gossip. Beat thoroughly. Add a pinch of religious principles and a quarter teaspoon of half-baked ideas. Pour into moulds and allow to simmer over one election. Then garnish with a little propaganda and serve.

# Middlebury Dabbles in Politics

By A. Martha Davis '42

M. Smith  
Sumburg, Mass.  
March 5, 1938

Representative from my District  
Wash.  
D. C.

Dear Rep.:

Again, you will notice, I am writing to you, but the subject of the present writing is near and dear to me, whereas those foregoing were dear, but not so near, as for instance, war, which we won't have right away but which I asked you to arranged not to have at all, and also bridges, which should be longer before reaching the other side in case of flood which would make the other side remote. But floods are neither dear and hopefully not near, so please extend your best attention on my present problem which is herein to be mentioned at once with less delay than formerly.

As you have doubtless guessed, the cause of my writing you is mumps and Mr. Hoover, or any other G-Man, who won't answer my letters. I do not hesitate to reproach you in his stead, because he is undoubtedly a busy man, but due to your influence he might be prevailed upon to look into my case of mumps which causes me worry. I should like to have my steps and engagements retraced to determine where I was between two and three weeks ago to be contracting that I now have mumps, on both sides.

Perhaps you have not gathered acquaintance with mumps, which is a child's disease, which I was sometime ago, but never had until now, like whooping-cough, which came when attending high school. So I will explain that mumps are not noticeable until between two and three weeks after exposure and then cause small aches below ear for one day, before expansion when lasts with acceleration for about four days and then deflates, but not noticeably until three or more days, and then it is necessary to learn to eat which has become a lost art, especially pickles, which please do not send for all friends and enemies have put me in stock.

It is indeed regretful to acquire so strange a malady perhaps three weeks ago and from whom to know not, but there have been so many heretofore by us unmet people at parties, dinners and dances which we have attended, especially dances, which we can't, but enjoy although we are obviously amusement which is well liked by all. Your congressional training will render you capable of understanding why it is necessary that Mr. Hoover or some G-Man should check up on me and discover where I have been and who was there to give me mumps in order that I may seek him out and explain to him that it is not my fault that I have passed his mumps along to others, who may be his friends, as is no doubt the case since I continued to attend dinners, parties, and dances from time of acquiring to time of onslaught.

Thank you, and do not worry about me, for though I am still swell, I expect to be better, and I shall vote as I should as a result of this.

Your favored voter,  
Middlebury Smith



## HAVE YOU TRIED IT?

By Elmer Cascio '39

Tried what? Oh, anything! Haven't you ever been in a situation or predicament in which you have never been before? What did you do? Did you face the situation, and say to yourself, "I'll try anything once," or did you shrug your shoulders, lift up your nose, and turn away? I like to try anything once, that is if it is reasonable. I believe that by doing anything for the first time, or by attempting something once, I will be better able to know if I should do the same thing a second time.

Trying anything once reminds me of an experience I had a few years back. A few of the boys including myself were confronted with a problem of my near neighbor's muskmelon patch. Should I continue? We thought that our neighbors juicy melons would create a large surplus on the nearby markets. We didn't want a catastrophe like that to befall our good market, so we crawled out one moonlight night, and disposed of most of the delicious surplus. That was a swell, tasty experience. Success was so easy that we tried the same thing on another neighbor's currants. This experience proved disastrous because the neighbor found us picking currants in the moonlight. He told us that night time wasn't the ideal part of the day to work. I told him that as the days were so hot and dry, we would much rather work in the cool atmosphere of night. Regardless of what I said I found that crime does not pay. Perhaps if I had not been apprehended in my early experience, I would be a professional kidnaper of farmers' produce or even a night worker in banks.

The thought of being a criminal has just occurred to me. If I had nine lives to live, I would decidedly use one of them in being a criminal. I don't mean a murderer or a bank robber but a person who likes to match wits with the G men—A person who likes excitement and the thrill of escaping, perhaps a Robin Hood or Jesse James.

Nine lives gives me more food for thought. If you had nine lives to live, what would you want to be in each life? If I had nine lives to live I would use one in being a criminal. The second life would be that of a dog. Sleep, sleep, sleep. and more sleep mixed in with a meal each time I yawned. My third life would be that of a farmer. I would have a nice place in the country, with a beautiful home, modern conveniences, electrical appliances, and a nice little mortgage. I don't know what I would raise but you can rest assured that I would raise all things expected of a farmer, a little corn, some potatoes, celery, spinach, etc. Speaking of corn reminds me of a radio program I heard recently. The announcer started with the words, "Science Speaks". Another voice followed and said, "Corn is raised on farms—and is drunk in cities!" My fourth life would be that of a trapper, hunter, and woodsman because I like the outdoors and the feeling of being part of it. My fifth life would be that of a daredevil, a person who tries all his life to break his neck and never succeeds until he trips over his own shoe strings. My sixth life I would want to be a teacher. Why? I think there would be a lot of fun in reading and seeing home work of students. Not that there is any information gained from them but just to see how wretched their English is. My seventh life as I am living it now. My eighth life would be my seventh life lived over again but with the experiences of my seventh life. My ninth life I would want to be a cat so I could have nine more lives to live.

## A Business Report

reporting andcident going up appleton street about 1.30 bright day stopt to sea a fellow.

a ford two door sedan side swipe is boddy and damage one side on tailbord of truck A20 Name of driver I no know but is number his xxx. im going call ofsfice tis noon.  
Charley (A20)

# Practical Aspects of Mental Hygiene

## No. 2. The Nervous Breakdown

By Calvert Stein, M. D., Law '38

### V. The Nervous System (Definition)

The nervous system is the great coordinating system of the body, on which the proper functioning of muscles, glands, organs, and blood vessels depends. The brain contains all of the thinking cells, and most of the coordinating centers or switchboards. The spinal cord is a huge cable containing both switchboards (reflex centers) and wires (nervous fibres) which carry messages (impulses or stimuli) to and from the brain, cord, and the various structures of the head, trunk, chest, abdomen, glands, organs, muscles, and extremities. The brain and spinal cord are known as the central nervous system, and are connected with all parts of the body by means of the peripheral nervous system which is composed of twelve pairs of cranial nerves (from the brain) and thirty-one pairs of spinal nerves. There is also an auxiliary nervous system known as the autonomic system, composed of sympathetic (exciting) and parasympathetic (conserving) divisions.

The neurologist is primarily concerned with disturbances which arise from structural changes in the nervous system (both central and peripheral); while the psychiatrist is primarily concerned with so-called "functional" disorders of the nervous system, including changes in personality, insanity, feeble-mindedness, mental deterioration, neuroses (psychoneuroses—q.v. infra.) and emotional instability. These disorders will be defined briefly below; for it will be seen that the term "nervous breakdown" is an all-inclusive one.

### VI. Mental Deficiency

The term "mental deficiency" in psychiatric parlance is limited to feeble-mindedness, although an aged deranged person ("senile dementia") and one who is acutely insane (psychotic) are obviously also deficient as to reasoning ability.

The essential difference between a feeble-minded person and a psychotic or insane person is the same as the difference between a pauper and a bankrupt. The feeble-minded person never had enough thinking cells, while the insane person had them, but has lost his capacity to use them for a variable period of time. Acute alcoholics, unconscious and sleeping persons, and delirious ones have also lost their capacity to use their thinking cells, but, since the loss is only transient, they are obviously not insane.

The ability to absorb information, recall it for use, and to adjust one's self in the community is the outer manifestation of intelligence. In average persons the capacity to learn stops growing at about fourteen to sixteen years of age. In the average college student it continues to grow until eighteen years of age, which is the superior level of intelligence. In the feeble-minded child, his limit of intellectual growth is about ten

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## Menzel is C. P. A.

Richard E. Menzel, Jr., who was graduated from Springfield Northeastern with the class of 1937, has just passed his C. P. A. examination. There were only 25 people who passed the examinations and it is interesting to note that Mr. Menzel is

the only one from western Massachusetts who was successful.

## Help Reporters

Nor'easter reporters are trying to gather faithfully news of Springfield Northeastern. Every student can help by contributing items of interest.

years, which means that in an adult feeble-minded person the "mentality" or intelligence level is no greater than that of a normal ten year old child. This level is called the moron stage. If the intellectual capacity ceases to grow beyond the seven year level, then the person is an imbecile, while if three years is the limit of his ability to learn, then he is known as an idiot, regardless of his actual or chronological age.

If the mental age is divided by the actual or chronological age, the resulting quotient is known as an I. Q., or intellectual quotient. The approximate values for I. Q. are listed in the table below.

Classification of Intelligence	Scholarship	Mental Age.	Approximate I. Q.
1. Superior	College Material	17 plus	110 plus
2. Average (normal)	Passable High School	14-16	90-109
3. Dull and Border-line	Poor Grammar School	11-13	70-89
4. Moron	5th grade & special class	7-10	50-69
5. Imbecile	Kindergarten	3-6	25-49
6. Idiot	Nursery	under 3 yrs.	0-24

The testing of intelligence is known as psychometry (mental measurement) and is done by a psychometrist (usually a psychologist) and the most frequently used intellectual test is the Stanford revision of the Binet-Simon Scale.

#### VII. The Psychoneuroses

Many a person may "break down" in high school or college or in a difficult position for no other reason than that he simply wasn't endowed with enough thinking cells (intelligence) to do the required work.

If he did have enough native intelligence, but still breaks down, then the psychiatrist must seek elsewhere for the cause. Such a breakdown may be a complete collapse, or psychosis (insanity), or a borderline collapse known as a psychoneurosis.

Fatigue, illness, anxiety, and stimulants (coffee, tea, tobacco, and alcohol) are common factors which influence the conductivity of the nervous system; and may produce the well-known "jitters."

The symptoms of nervous exhaustion are sleeplessness, loss of appetite, tiredness, irritability, constipation, sweating, hot flashes, and peculiar disturbances of heart, stomach, bowels and bladder.

Since many of the causative stimulants, chiefly anxiety and excitement, are frequently obscure or even embarrassing to the individual, his attention is usually first called to the various physical complaints and disturbances enumerated above. The nervous student, therefore, instead of saying, "I must study harder next time, so that I won't feel so anxious over this examination," says, "I must go see a doctor about my rapid heart, and the distressing pains in the pit of my stomach." When the youth's attentions persist in dwelling on his physical complaints (i.e. on the somatic or objective evidence of his embarrassment or dilemma), he is said to have a neurosis—provided that no structural or organic cause can be found for them. Moreover, since the disturbance comes in fact from his mental and emotional difficulties and not from any actual injury or disease of his organs themselves, then his proper diagnosis is a psychoneurosis. The most common of these functional disorders therefore is naturally the anxiety neurosis; and the psychoneuroses, as a class, are believed to constitute from fifty to seventy per cent of all medical complaints. They may be among the most disabling of diseases; and they tax the best resources of the psychiatrist who must be constantly on the alert lest the symptoms mark an underlying organic physical disorder.

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## LAW AND FEMININITY

By Mary K. Foley '42

Out of the well worn pages of history comes the idea that "woman's place is in the home." From their conception it was designed that man and woman should marry; the man to provide the livelihood and the woman to care for her husband and their home. The purpose of the union of man and woman was that they should bring forth children, thereby contributing to the furtherance of the race.

While many girls marry young and raise their families in accordance with the laws of nature, a great many more are far removed from that Victorian type of simpering femininity; that well publicized clinging-vine variety of not so many years ago. The economic conditions of this changing world of ours are largely responsible for the complete overthrowing of the original design for living.

Woman in her ascent toward freedom, financial independence and success, has been confronted by more obstacles than man had to contend with. Her most serious opposition has come through man's expressed and implied resentment of her violation of the age old rules of decorum. The courage of the modern woman is undaunted by the prejudiced criticism of man and in most fields of endeavor, she has crashed through to win and demand the recognition of the opposition.

The medical profession expressed decided indignation at the early attempts of the female of the species to study and practice medicine. Not only was she ostracized by the men of her community, but the women, who were meekly following the dictates of man, pulled in their skirts or even crossed the street at the sight of her in order that she should not contaminate them. Needless to say, there are women dentists, physicians, and surgeons today who have firmly established clienteles. The woman doctor has won her laurels and on countless occasions, the medical

man has found it expedient to consult with her.

In the field of law, although a few of the staid institutions for learning have excluded women from their curriculum, according to the 1920 census report, the number of women lawyers increased three-fold in a ten-year period. Harvard and Columbia University law schools are two that still post the sign, "No Females Allowed." In spite of the line of demarcation between man and woman, the relative proportion of women in the entire professional group increased from 43.3 per cent in 1910 to 47.4 per cent in 1920. The increase was marked in teaching, law, ministry, nursing, library work, literature, drafting and designing.

It is said that because there was in ancient Rome a loud-voiced, strident female named Calphurnia, a nuisance who made the tribunals resound with her howlings, women were forever excluded from the bar. However, today women attorneys, even to the assistant attorney of the United States and of individual states, women judges, women sheriffs and police-women defy the memory of Calphurnia. While it has been said that a woman cannot cope with a man in law because in so doing she must rub shoulders with the world, many a woman has been able to handle a difficult situation with much more finesse and tact than could a man. Certainly a woman can claim title to as much intelligence and to the same degree of keenness of mind as can a man. There have been a few women assistant attorney generals in this country. Most assuredly a woman lawyer could find satisfaction and usefulness in a connection with the juvenile courts, courts of domestic relations, and similar divisions having to do with the home and its problems. Such are particularly adapted to her talents and frequently offer the most opportunity for advancement.

An unbiased physician in a neighboring town expressed his view that there would be nothing more pleasant to

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visualize than a woman holding forth before a dignified court, a woman who could be forceful and still maintain the attributes and qualities of a lady.

May I ask if there is any logical reason why a woman barrister should lose her desire to dress well, or for that matter, to love, marry and bring up a family, any more than should the stenographer, teacher, scientist, or even the young person just out of school. If anything, she should have a greater capacity for appreciating her home, having a broader realization of the trials and tribulations of married life. Her legal experience should be an asset to her, helping her to avoid the mishaps and pitfalls of many modern marriages.

Why should our modern woman with a tendency toward a legal career be less privileged to enjoy her career than her worthy brothers in the profession? Such persons as Judge Emma Schofield have proved that the two can be successfully combined.

If, by entering the law profession, a profession in which the men are slow to relinquish ground, a woman destroys her femininity, I should like to ask what some of the men of this world are doing to their masculinity. I have reference to the famous dress designers and hair stylists of Paris, New York and Hollywood, the fashion centers of the world.

## Nor'easter Staff

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## "FIXIN' AND THE FIVE DAY WEEK"

By George Greene '38

The five day week is supposed to be a boon to the working man. On Saturdays and Sundays he is, according to the original plan, entitled to play at his favorite game, dabble at his pet hobby or just plain loaf. But plans have a habit of going astray. It's a fact that the five day week hasn't worked out as originally schemed.

I speak from experience.

About the middle of the week Mother drops a casual hint that on Saturday morning I must fix the curtain rod in the front bedroom. It won't take but a few minutes and besides it is so sloppy. And would I please put new washers in the bathroom faucets? The water bill was much too high last time.

The weekly barrage has started. I just grunt and say, "Maybe", or "Yes, if I have time" all the time realizing that I will be reminded daily of my little "puttery" jobs. If I put up too much resistance I'll be told that I should consider the home more than just a place to eat and sleep in. I should take more of an interest. When I have a home of my own I should know how to do all these things.

During a storm on Thursday night rivers of water washed out the driveway and the wind blew down the aerial. That means at least two more hours of fixin' on Saturday morning. On Friday morning the front doorbell develops "skipitus" and functions only spasmodically and the dining room door starts to stick.

In desperation I try to think up an excuse for not being among those present on Saturday. But one by one my reasons lose their persuasiveness and Saturday morning finds me with step ladder, screw driver, pliers, rake, shovel, hammer, jack-knife and disgruntled disposition fixing this and mending that.

It's really a boon to the working man—this five day week.

## STAGE FRIGHT

By Stanley Mathison '39

Occasionally, many of us experience the very terrifying effects of stage fright. When we were youngsters in school, our spirits dropped to the soles of our shoes and our hearts lodged in our throats at the thought of giving a recitation before our class. Later in life we experience much the same nauseating sensation when we are called to the platform to make a speech for the first time. We would gladly give an arm to be spared this horror.

As bad as we felt then, it cannot compare with that feeling which one endures teeing off in the very faces of those leering spectators who gather at the Country Club in the prime of summer to witness a golf tournament. The field is composed of players of varying skill, and is divided into a number of divisions to allow players of the same caliber to compete. It will doubtless be your misfortune to follow a much more skillful two-some which has electrified the crowd with booming drives that cut the fairway in two, coming to rest some two hundred and fifty yards in the distance. Some one exclaims, "Did you see that drive?" Another says, "What a wallop!" All such remarks as these are to be heard above the low rumble of admiration from the gallery. Now it is your turn. Can you back out? As much as you wish to, you remember that crisp new five dollar bill you have just deposited in the Club coffers—the fee required before you can occupy the center of this scene for thirty seconds. The starter calls out, "S. Brown next." The ordeal now begins.

You stagger nonchalantly forward and place that tiny white ball in proper position. It's funny about this ball. Last week it seemed much larger. You make a few practise swings. This may help to impress that sea of critics. You step into position. How empty your stomach feels. Let's see, you had a good breakfast only an hour ago. Now you draw the club back as best you remember. You close your eyes, and pray reverently. You lunge. There comes

## City Slicker's Spring Fever

By Paul Chmiel '43

How bright the sun this morning is,  
How beautiful its rays,  
As here and there its light reflects  
From a tin can's shiny face.

The grass, so pure and crisp, and green—  
Oh, it smells so sweet!  
Grows in the oily, empty lot  
That lies across the street.

In the deep blue sky the clouds above  
Their cuddly noses poke.  
Like little sails in an ocean blue  
They drift through city smoke.

The gentle wind roams through the trees  
Like lovers used to do.  
But now I hear the traffic roar  
And strains of the Suzie Q.

The river wanders down its course  
With sounds like tinkling bells.  
And little twigs float gayly on  
With all the garbage smells.

For all the cans, and smoke, and noise,  
And all the things I fear,  
I seem to feel my spirits lift—  
I know that SPRING IS HERE!

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a dull thudding sound to your ears, strange and unlike the crisp smack that you remember hearing so well last week. You open your eyes, and scan the horizon. The object of your search can be seen describing a perfect parabola away to the right, bounding, and finally ending its flight amidst the towering grasses which it loves so well.

Your task is completed, and you are forced to relinquish the spot-light to another. The game is on. You march off the tee with a spring to your step, and a slight swagger to your walk, remarking to your companion what a glorious morning it is, and how restful it is to get out and relax in a quiet game of golf.

## GLESSMAN TREATS

By William Roberts Jr. '43

Freshmen! Introducing our class psychologist, humorist, and potential dean, Mr. Edward Glessman, Holyoke's leading ice cream magnate.

For approximately five months this entertaining young gentleman has wrapped himself up in a shell of seclusion. However, those who were fortunate enough to be present at the January 26 meeting of Dr. Anderson's Business Management class were afforded a delicious and delectable surprise. Upon this evening our tasty mixer made his rather amazing and enlightening debut granting those present a glimpse of his inner self. Mr. Glessman proved a great understanding of human nature when he distributed samples of ice cream before attempting his lecture. Incidentally if his intent was bribery it was absolutely unnecessary for the ensuing talk on ice-cream making was most enjoyable and interesting. Mr. Glessman is evidently a glutton for knowledge, because he has attended courses at R. P. Institute, Pennsylvania State College, Massachusetts State College, the Bay Path Institute, as well as at Northeastern.

As Mr. Glessman was born of an ice cream making father, it is easily understandable where he inherited the instinct which enabled him to launch himself upon a successful career in the ice cream industry.

## Monte Carlo Whist

Sigma Mu Upsilon sponsored a whist party on Tuesday, April 5, the proceeds of which are to be used to provide a scholarship for the third-year student who stands highest in his work.

## SWAT!

By A. Martha Davis '42

Little fly upon the wall,  
Never say a word at all.

You who listen, you who look  
Know me like a first grade book.

All the things I plan to do  
I've talked about in front of you.

All my sorrows in a row—  
Only you have seen them so.

All the nasty things I've done  
I have rehearsed here one by one.

All the wishes that I wish—  
You know enough to cook my dish.

Little fly upon the wall,  
(Swat!) You'll never talk at all.

## HOW TO PREPARE FOR AN EXAMINATION

By Paul Chmiel '43

Sit down at the table and assume a studious look. Pick up your books and pile them in front of you. Open a book. To increase your powers of concentration, turn the radio on to the Charlie McCarthy program.

Look at the title of the text and mumble to yourself.

Turn over a page and then pick up a newspaper and read the funnies.

In order to remember essential parts of the chapter, take a pencil and draw a few cartoons on your scratch pad.

Now and then wipe the sweat off your brow.

Turn to the problems in the back of your book and look at the first one. Then figure out if you'll have enough money to go to the dance tomorrow.

Close the book and give a sigh of relief.

If you follow this method, you will be sure, absolutely, of enjoying your study hour.

## Student Council Dance

On Saturday evening, May 14, at the Hotel Kimball the entire student body of Springfield Northeastern is invited to attend the Eighteenth Annual Student Council Dinner Dance. The price of admission has not as yet been set, but, as in former years, it will be reduced to a microscopic minimum because of the fact that the Student Activity Fee helps to pay expenses.

Dinner will be served at 7 P. M. and will be followed by dancing from 8 to 12 P. M. Music will be furnished by Eddie Abrahamson's Ten Commanders. Dress is optional for the occasion, so let's make our plans now to attend the highlight of the year—The Student Council Dinner Dance.

### Remember

Now that everybody has been informed well in advance,  
Concerning this forthcoming elaborate and festive dinner dance,  
With the price, per couple, lessened as part of the S. A. fee,  
Students, you cannot make excuses, as you might as well see.

## Fraternity Entertains

Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity held its tenth annual formal dinner-dance at the Hotel Kimball on Saturday evening, February 5.

A five course dinner was served at 7:30 P. M. Dancing from 9:00 to 12:00 P. M. followed to the music of Ray Deleporte's orchestra.

Guests of honor included Mr. and Mrs. John D. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Blodgett, Karl Vester, president of Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity, and A. Martha Davis, president of Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority.

Attorney John B. Hourihan was toastmaster. Eugene F. Riley presided.

Mr. Stephen Warwick was general chairman, assisted by Harold Roberts, John Finn, William Buckley, C. Harry Nyström and Frank Murray.

## Sorority Notes

A post-lenten social function will be in the form of a "country dance". City slickers will rub elbows and sip cider with shy farm lassies. Tickets will be available to members of both fraternities at a nominal price. Escorts and lady friends are optional. For further details kindly refer to members of the committee in charge.

Miss Alice Martha Davis, President of Sigma Nu Upsilon has invited the members of the Sorority to her home for an outdoor festival. Miss Davis is the proud possessor of an excellent tennis court and the girls who are anxious to chase a tennis ball over the court can do so. Those who are not so strenuously inclined may indulge in a spot of ping pong or other milder forms of sports.

## Provisional Appointments

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Stobswell School, and Dundee Technical College, all of Dundee, Scotland, and at Bay Path Institute and the School of Business of Northeastern University in Springfield. This student was the other winner of the Corpus Juris reference books for excellence in the course in Library Reference his first year at the University. The Dean's list for 1936-37 included his name. Mr. Wilson is a member of the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity and of the Brigham Lodge of Masons in Ludlow. He is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Each of the provisional commencement appointees will prepare a paper suitable for delivery at the commencement exercises on June 8. On the basis of these papers and the completion of the senior year's work, two of these students will receive final commencement appointments and will deliver the student addresses at the commencement exercises. Two other appointees will serve as alternates for these speakers.



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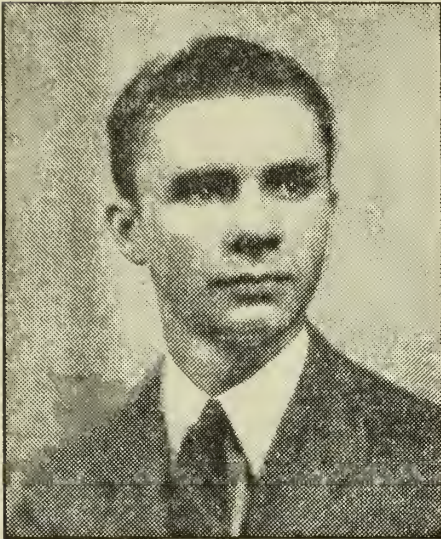
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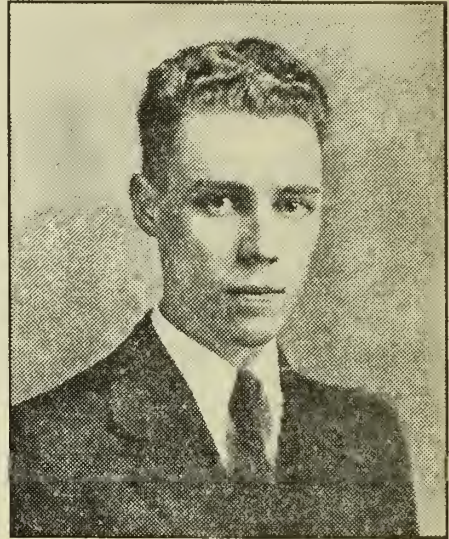
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## Commencement Week



RICHARD H. LAKE



WILLIAM K. MCCOUBREY

### Commencement Speakers

Commencement week for 1938 at Springfield Northeastern brought the pageantry of solemn ritual and the observance of ancient tradition, the renewal of good fellowship and of loyalty to the university, a recalling of the past and a forward look to the future.

The exercises began on Sunday, June 5, with the annual Baccalaureate Service at the First Church, in Court Square, at 10:45 a. m. The address was delivered by Edward Weeks Cross, D.D., pastor of the church.

On Monday, June 6, the class of 1938 gathered at the Hotel Stonehaven for the Class Day Exercises and Banquet of the graduating class. Several classes held reunion dinners on the same evening, including the five-year classes, 1923, 1928, and 1933. Arrangements for these affairs

were made by the secretaries of the classes: H. O. McCrea, '23; R. V. Clampit, '28; and Margaret C. Coleman, '33.

The annual Commencement Exercises took place at the First Church on Wednesday, June 8. The commencement address was delivered by Rockwell Harmon Potter, A.B., D.D., Dean of the Hartford Theological Seminary.

Richard H. Lake, who spoke on "Can College Prepare Its Undergraduates for Business," and William K. McCoubrey, whose subject was "The Flexibility of the Constitution" were commencement speakers from the class of 1938. Andrew Linton, Jr., and Peter D. Wilson were the alternates.

John D. Churchill, director of Springfield Northeastern, presented the graduates

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## DINNER-DANCE

The annual Student Council dinner-dance, held at the Hotel Kimball on May 14, proved to be a brilliant success.

Two hundred ninety-two students, faculty members, and guests, the largest number in the history of the affair, enjoyed an excellent menu, listened with delight to the brief remarks of the speakers, and danced happily to the music of Abrahamson's Commanders.

Speakers at the head table included Dean Russell Whitney of the School of Business, Associate Dean Guy D. Miller, Director John D. Churchill of Springfield Northeastern, Associate Director Ralph Bowen, and David L. Turnbull, president of the Student Council.

## Commencement

to Frank Palmer Speare, president of the University, who presented diplomas to the following members of the class of 1938:

**School of Law:** Jack S. Bloom, Paul Bloom, Louis W. Caporale, Jr., Warren I. Fillmore, Edward J. Kimball, Harry Levine, William K. McCoubrey, N. Deane Moore, Richard C. Morrissey, Eugene F. Riley, Glenn A. Shaw, Philip Small, Calvert Stein, Paul A. Trudel, Karl A. Vester, Peter D. Wilson.

**School of Business: Accounting:** Howard J. Chapin, Peter C. Dulak, Robert B. MacPherson, William M. Minkley. **Management:** Ernest A. Dunham, Harold H. Roberts. **Engineering and Business:** Frank O. Isham, Richard H. Lake, Andrew Linton, Jr. **Law and Business:** Robert W. Pease. **Master of Business Administration:** Alwyn F. Yeatman. **Certificate in Accounting:** Alfred P. Franz.

The Annual Alumni Reunion Dinner, followed by the annual business meeting was held at the Hotel Kimball on Thursday, June 9.

## Pi Tau Kappa

The fifteenth annual competition between the four chapters of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity was held on Saturday, May 7 at the Hotel Kimball with the local Delta chapter as the host.

Well over 100 Brothers took part in the activities of the day which started at four o'clock with the presentation of rituals by all chapters. To the chapter that wins three victories in annual competitions goes the permanent possession of a handsome plaque suitably engraved. Gamma chapter from Providence already had one leg on the present trophy by virtue of its triumph in Boston last year. This year the delegates from Providence once again proved their strength by annexing a second place on the prize with points totaling 78. The Springfield chapter followed, a close second with 73 points.

After the competition the ladies returned from a local theater where they had been the guests of the fraternity for the afternoon. Then all adjourned to the main dining room to enjoy a delicious Kimball dinner. President Karl Vester of the local chapter presided and introduced the presidents from Worcester, Boston, and Providence, as well as our own genial Ernie Carlson who was general chairman of the affair. George Greene and George Carlson were happily surprised when they were each presented with four silver dollars. They made the most visitations to other chapters during the past year. (Carlson had to get an auxiliary pair of suspenders to take care of the load.)

Eddie Abrahamson and his Commanders played for dancing until the hands of the clock faced straight up which means that dancing, on Saturday nights in good old Massachusetts, must come to an end.

It has become trite to say that "it was one of those never to be forgotten affairs" but those words just about express the sentiments of all who were present. Next year the competition will be held in Worcester with Beta chapter the host.



## Cost Accountants' Meetings Valuable

By Stephen W. Warwick, '39

The Springfield Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants has recently been responsible for a kind and generous act which is a credit to that organization. It has placed in the Springfield Public Library, Rice Hall, a collection of bulletins covering practically every subject in the accounting field. These bulletins are published twice a month and contain articles written by members of the association. The subjects cover problems of accountants who are actively engaged in the work about which they are writing. They deal with present day problems and should be of interest to all accounting students.

You will find a complete topical index of all of these N.A.C.A. publications in our University Library. This index lists all of the bulletins that are on file in the Springfield Library. Students writing theses on any accounting subject will find these bulletins of immense value.

The National Association of Cost Accountants is an organization of six thousand men who are interested in advancing the practice of industrial accounting, and

who aim to create a better understanding of the use and value of cost and general accounting.

The association has chapters in fifty cities. Springfield Chapter was founded in 1922 and today has a membership of one hundred seventeen persons of Springfield and surrounding communities who are vitally interested in accounting problems.

Four undergraduates are members of this organization. They are Maurice H. Baitler, Charles E. Benoit, Frank T. Koehler, and Stephen W. Warwick.

If there is anybody who is interested in this organization and thinks that he would like to become a member, he can secure more information from any one of the above persons.

The Springfield Chapter conducts a monthly dinner meeting with talks by competent speakers. These meetings are being held at the Hotel Stonehaven on the third Wednesday of every month. Dinner is at 6:15 P. M. The meeting begins at 7:30 P. M. Anybody at all interested in hearing a good speaker talk on some accounting subject is invited to attend. Come in about 7:30 and you will be in time.

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## A PRAYER

By Ernest C. Swanson, '39

Newspapers, magazines, and radio convey to us in America the chaotic state of world affairs. For two long years the Loyalists at Madrid have fought valiantly against General Franco and his foreign legions. Since the conquest of Manchuria, the Chinese have been harried by the land-hungry Japanese. Mussolini has forced his way into Ethiopia and Hitler has marched through Austria. Periodically Joseph Stalin conducts mock trials which result in wholesale executions of conspirators.

Jealousy, greed, fear, and death shroud the nations of Europe and Asia in a dense gray fog. Our "Ship of State" has kept clear of this menace with its lurking dangers. On the log is written the experience of 1916 through 1918. The Captain and many of the crew can recall vividly that tragic venture. The damage has not been repaired during these twenty years and may not be repaired in twenty more. May God hold the helm of our ship on the course of peace forever, amen.



## Blind Student Sets High Goal

By Mary Foley, '42

If you happened to walk in on the lecture period of any one of the freshman law courses, you might wonder at a faint rapid ticking, strikingly contrasted with the scratching of fountain pens. The answer to the mysterious sound is that John Nagle, blind student, is rapidly transcribing into braille important notes to be later used by him and others as reference.

John is a native of Springfield and is looking forward to the day when he might go elsewhere to live—that universally persistent feeling of longing to be where we aren't. The Springfield school system was the source of John's education until he reached the seventh grade. Then, at the age of fourteen, he lost his sight due to eye-strain resulting from too much reading.

It was at this time that he enrolled at Perkins Institute for the Blind at Watertown, Massachusetts. While at the Institute he organized and edited the school paper. John says that it was not difficult for him to study diligently because he did not have many other interests to divert his attention. He maintained an average of 96 through school and made the Dean's list while at the Institute. He graduated from Perkins Institute in June, 1934, and all of his subsequent college education has been attained through scholarships.

He attended Boston University, College of Business Administration, Department of Journalism, for two years. Having decided to give up the journalistic field in preference to the legal field, he left B. U., intending to return to the School of Law in the fall. However, a change in circumstances necessitated his remaining

in Springfield so that he enrolled here at Northeastern University. While at B. U. he was a member of the Debating Team. On one occasion the team had a trip through Maine, debating with four Maine colleges. About a year and a half ago John debated over radio station WMAS in Springfield. John was one of a group of fellows at the university who held sway between the radicals and the fraternities. Among his pals at the University was another blind chap, who majored in social work at the College of Liberal Arts, graduating last June. Speaking of B. U., John said "B. U. is the greatest university in the country, surpassing all others in all virtues which a university should possess, including a darned good football team and pretty good coeds."

John claims that it is not only his hope, but his intention to practice law wherever the opportunity presents itself. Although this seems to be a pretty definite and important goal to strive for, he claims his life's ambition is to have the B. U. Terrier Football team play in the Rose Bowl within the next five years.

At present John is employed at the American Red Cross building on Maple Street, where he transcribes ink print into braille on a job sponsored by the Springfield School Department.

While living at a rooming house in Back Bay, John acquired a friend whom he thinks a great deal of and who had been a great salesman. John has overcome many adverse moments by remembering the philosophy which his friend practiced, "No matter how tough things get, never lose your sense of humor."

# Middlebury Smith Plans Vacation

By A. Martha Davis, '42

June 1, 1938

Independent Gasoline Co.  
Albuquerque  
New Mex.

Gentlemen:

Your map of my forthcoming tour came today and was very prompt, for which I thank you, except for adjustments.

The route you have marked begins with Sumburg as requested by me, and follows across several inches of paper appropriately until arriving at San Francisco which is where I want to go and I thank you for getting me there, but you have not returned me as I wish to be returned. I wish to return by a different route, but also I wish to arrive in same condition as at start, and that cannot be arranged if you chart me through So. Dakota where I have been and met the Indians.

Eloise, who is my wife, informs me that I owe you an explanation of my criticism and same follows: I am inspector of boilers at the foundry where I have inspected for several years except for one summer when I was misplaced among the office force. Being an inspector, I have a boss who spoke to me one November afternoon, which is unusual and should have forboded trouble if I had stopped to recall that bosses seldom speak to me because I am hard for all but the learned to follow since I have been educated at night school. The boss spoke to me and explained about boiler trouble in South Dakota which was my fault due to improper inspecting perhaps, but also likely due to long train ride which I soon agreed with after taking.

That is how, I, Middlebury Smith, went to So. Dakota the first time to make happy a large client by fixing his boiler and all was uneventful until I missed my train and had to buy a \$15. 1918 Ford to get to Rapid City where they have more trains than once a week. The 1918 Ford broke down and my rheumatism was not helped any by the sudden blizzard and my longing to be home for Thanksgiving while I was under the hood trying to keep warm and find the trouble. Besides me, who was in error, only Indians transverse that particular road to Rapid City in November, and that is how I was found and my rheumatism removed.

The Indians were kind and could talk and took me home and fed me until I mentioned pains in back and joints and said, "rheumatism" which must be a signal to them because they at once got busy, cooked up several materials which tasted as bad as they smelled, as I found out by having my nose held until. After drinking, I was very hot, almost 100 degrees if there had been any shade in the blizzard, but all was brightly lighted after the first drink and things looked constantly different after each succeeding sip. Reaching the boiling point and before letting me simmer the proper time I was rushed out of the cabin under the arms of three big Indians who do not listen to remonstrances and who deposited me in the middle of a lake which may be placid in summer but was noisily making ice in the blizzard. Although faint protestations issued from what had once been M. Smith, no heed was paid and several times I was propelled into the lake, only once headfirst, for which I am thankful, and that was the first time in order to break the ice. When I became resigned and protested no more I was returned to the cabin, still boiling on the interior while the exterior formed icicles.

I was surprised the next morning to wake up. All the Indians came around to file past and look at me rolled up in blankets on the floor in front of the fire feeling like a football game at which they grinned and grunted and I reached the decision that I had been cured satisfactorily and have been ever since.

Perhaps you wonder why I do not desire to revisit my kind Indian brothers who fixed my rheumatism permanently and in such a short time, that I was only a day late back to Sumburg, but this spring I have a sore throat which I like better than the cure my So. Dakota Indians would devise for relieving.

That is why I herewith return your kind map and request that you find me another route home from San Fransisco when I take my trip with Eloise this summer.

Yours sincerely,

Middlebury Smith.

## In Retrospect

By R. W. Pease, 38

As I sit at my desk, another Sunday morning, preparing my assignments for next week, my mind begins to wander. It takes me back through the last five and one-half years which I have spent at Northeastern. They have been long years, yet time has passed swiftly. As the weeks slipped by, there were many occasions when I was tempted to substitute a novel for my assignment in economics or a game of bridge for my assignment in business statistics. Many a Sunday morning I would rather have gone fishing than prepare a business letter, a market report, or a theme. Altho there were times when I did yield to my temptations, my assignments were generally prepared before I went to class.

School will soon be over, now, and I will have time on my hands. No longer will it be necessary to stay home and study. I shall be able to go fishing, play golf, read, dance, and do many other things that I have really missed during the last few years.

Yes, it has been a long five years, yet I do not believe that I would have exchanged them for five years of just playing around. I have found many new friends at Northeastern. I have passed many happy hours at fraternity meetings and social gatherings. Above all, I have

acquired a knowledge of many subjects of which I knew very little. Not all of the subjects may prove beneficial or practical yet the knowledge of the subjects is mine and cannot be taken from me.

When another September rolls around, I have a hunch that the "time on my hands" will seem a bit burdensome. I shall miss Northeastern and my associations there. I shall miss my assignments in English, law and economics. Perhaps the five and one-half years have not been so long and tiresome as they seemed as they passed by. Perhaps I was really enjoying myself without realizing and appreciating it at the time.

## "A Northeastern Luminary"

American International College probably wishes that Charles Loiselle, an accounting student for the past two years at the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, hadn't decided to enter the day division of the institution at Boston last fall. For it was none other than Charles "Chick" Loiselle, a lefthanded twirler, who pitched the Northeastern "Huskies" baseball nine to an 8 to 3 victory over the varsity baseball nine representing A. I. C., in the first game of a home and home game series. Not only did Loiselle hold the visitors at bay with eight scattered hits; but he also struck out two batters, made three assists, and scored a run.

## More About N. U.'s at Chicopee

By E. R. Dupuis, '39

I realized that if it were possible to interview the first people to graduate from Northeastern from Chicopee, it might prove very interesting, but, to my astonishment when Mr. Blodgett and I delved into the alumni records we found that I had already interviewed three of the four who had graduated in the first class, 1925. There remained but one to be interviewed and after three attempts I finally found the gentleman at home. He is Joseph Morrow, 54 Bell Street, Chicopee, Mass.

Upon making a visit to his home I was amazed to find that Mr. Morrow was no other than one of the boys who played baseball on an opposing team in earlier days. After a few moments of reminiscence of those old times together I finally had a very pleasant report of him which is as follows:

Mr. Morrow in 1925 received a diploma from Northeastern, majoring in engineering. At that time, I was informed, no degrees were granted for engineering but a diploma was issued by the Engineering Institute.

Mr. Morrow graduated from the Chicopee High School and went to work for the A. G. Spalding Co. in Chicopee and later for the Stevens Duryea. He became interested in tool making and soon found that he would have to learn a great deal if he was to reach the top in his line. He got in touch with Northeastern and enrolled for the Engineering course. After liquidation of the Stevens Duryea, Mr. Morrow went to the Moore Drop Forging Company and worked in the Tool and Die Room. But, there was a secret goal which he continued to seek and that was some day to teach Machine and Die work to others. After going into the matter a little further he found that the Massachu-

setts Department of Education offered a course to a few who qualified to teach school. Having put one hundred hours of study in on the course he received a teacher's certificate as a Machine Shop Instructor.

For four years afterwards he was successful in obtaining part time jobs at the evening Trade School in Chicopee. In January, 1938, he received a permanent appointment as a Machine Shop Instructor at Chicopee, which position he now holds.

Another of our students receiving a similar appointment in January was Mr. Robert Benoit.

Mr. Benoit graduated from Northeastern University in 1936, receiving a B.B.A. He majored in engineering.

When he graduated from Northeastern Mr. Benoit was employed by A. G. Spalding & Bros in the engineering department. In September, 1936, he left A. G. Spalding to take a new position in Providence, R. I.

Mr. Benoit told a few of the students, while attending the Epsilon Phi Sigma smoker, how he happened to be working as an instructor in Chicopee Trade School at present.

Said Mr. Benoit, "I heard of the opening at the Chicopee Trade School on a Friday night in Providence. Saturday morning, I boarded a plane for Chicopee, and in less than one hour, I was in conference with the superintendent of schools in Chicopee." No grass was going to grow under his feet, when a teaching job was waiting for him to apply for, and receive. All the fraternity brothers, as well as, all those who knew him, when he attended class, wish him the best of luck on his new job.



## Westfield Alumni of Northeastern

By Stephen W. Warwick, '39

Westfield, a small city about ten miles from Springfield, has a large representation in the enrollment at Northeastern. The Nor'easter has published some news about Chicopee alumni. Now here is some news about four of Westfield's alumni.

Henry F. Burrows is a graduate of the class of 1926. After his graduation he stayed with the Strathmore Paper Company until 1929 when he went with the Old Colony Envelope Company of Westfield. His present position is that of Assistant Treasurer and Auditor. Henry is also Secretary of the Springfield Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants. He is married and is the father of two fine young daughters, Nancy and Janet. His residence is in Southwick where he is serving a three year term as water commissioner. If any of you are driving through the town of Southwick and see the sign of the Maple Shade Farm you will know that is Henry's place. He runs a small poultry farm and if you are in need of any good quality fresh eggs you can get them there. Henry's hobby is raising things and although he didn't learn anything about this at Northeastern he did learn a lot of accounting. He graduated with high honors. He says that he has never been sorry for the time and effort that he put in to attend Northeastern. It has more than repaid him.

Cecil R. Barber was a member of the original entering class at Northeastern in the fall of 1919. He graduated in 1922 and shortly after this he joined the staff of Scovell, Wellington, & Company and remained with this firm until April, 1925. Since that time he has been engaged in the practice of public accounting and has an office at 12 Elm Street, Westfield. He is a member of the Board of Investment of the Westfield Savings Bank. In our conversation Cecil did a little reminiscing and recalled that there were 13 members in his graduating class, that S. O. Smith,

one of our excellent accounting instructors; was one of its members, also George Rice, Springfield City Treasurer. Mr. Barber wanted to convey his best regards to Dr., Anderson, who was one of his instructors and to those present instructors, Messrs. Grace, Hobbs, and Johnston, with whom he has worked while he was employed by the firm of Scovell, Wellington, & Company.

Hugh G. Flynn graduated in 1932 with a L.L.B. Degree. He successfully passed the bar examination in 1935 and is now engaged in the general practice of law in Westfield where he has an office at 33 Elm Street. Hugh held the position of Secretary to the Mayor of the City of Westfield from 1932-37. Knowing Hugh's good qualifications and ability the Mayor has made Hugh Chairman of the recently appointed Contributory Retirement Board. Hugh feels that the law course as taught at Northeastern is an excellent one. He says that he will always remember the University as the institution that enabled him to secure valuable knowledge and training, and the place where there exists a fine cooperative spirit for all those students who wish to apply themselves to secure an education. Hugh is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity.

Saul Wilson graduated with Cum Laude honors in 1931 when he received his B.C.S. Degree. He continued his studies for another year and received a B.B.A. Degree in 1932. Saul was one of the very few who passed the C.P.A. examination in 1931. While attending school he was employed by the Hampden National Bank and after his graduation remained with the bank until 1937 when he resigned to become engaged in the practice of public accounting. He does accounting work in both Westfield and Springfield and maintains his office in the Massasoit Building in Springfield. He is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity.

## AMERICANS

By Elmer Cascio, '39

To suppose that America is the leader of all cultural arts and sciences is a supposition that is untrue. America may excel some countries in one field of science, but America will be excelled in another field by these same countries. These statements lead to a reasonable conclusion: America is not supreme in all her efforts because records show that other countries are in many respects the equal of America. A country is no greater than its people; then it is not nations competing against nations, or countries against countries, but peoples against peoples. If people compete with one another and share the laurels, each side then must be equal in courage, perseverance, and intelligence. If this is so, why do some few Americans regard themselves superior to the foreigner?

That the purpose of all foreigners in this country is to accumulate a small fortune and then depart is another supposition that is untrue. The majority of foreigners in this country want to be Americans. They want to stay in our country. They want their sons and daughters to stay and be Americans. These foreigners came to this country to seek opportunity, contentment, and happiness. Should we give them a chance? I think we should. Some foreigners may come to this country to see new things, or they may come here for educational advancement; there isn't anything wrong in that because we Americans go abroad to visit or study. A few foreigners do come to this country to try to amass a fortune; you can't blame a person for trying, can you? All in all, I believe that all foreigners regardless of nationality should be given a fair chance to become Americans.

Some few Americans believe that a foreigner is a lowly, illiterate form of human being. I think they are wrong, all

## INTRAMURAL SPORTS

By Howard J. Chapin, '39

Intramural sports have been tried, with great success among our modern day colleges and universities. These sports have been mostly of football, baseball, and basketball. Here at Northeastern sports could not be enjoyed because of the limited time that students have away from their studying.

But, why couldn't we have interclass bowling? This would lead to rivalry among the classes and to a better class spirit. Not much time would be needed to participate in this sport, as it could be engaged in after class at 9 o'clock.

During the past year the fraternities have experimented in this after school sport and have found it very enjoyable. There is no reason why a league can't be formed next year, which would include a team from each class in the school. Why not sound out the members of your class now and get a team lined up for next fall. It's certain that a lot of that interclass rivalry which is sorely lacking at Northeastern will be created and everyone will surely enjoy himself.

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wrong. Because a foreigner is slow to accept the ways and customs of our country, because a foreigner finds our language hard to pronounce and speak correctly, because a foreigner doesn't understand us when we speak to him, should we hastily judge him as an inferior? Each man is able in his way. One may be a teacher and know nothing of mechanics; should we say that he lacks intelligence? It's the same with all men regardless of color, creed, or nationality; each is distinguished only in his own way.

My conclusion is concise. Americans are people—the kind they have in any other country. We should judge each by his own characteristics, not by his birthplace or his ancestry.

## Parking Problem Finally Solved

By George H. Greene, '38

Municipalities and towns have tried to do something about it. Merchants have tried to do something about it. Individuals have tried to do something about it. For the most part efforts have been fruitless.

It has been the cause of more ill temper than most any other one thing—even the annual struggle with the income tax report. Yes, you've guessed the trouble—it's the parking problem.

Particularly acute has been the parking problem for Northeastern students. In fact it's about time we students of accounting, law, science, and business pooled our mental resources and evolved a practical scheme in order that we may park our respective Rolls Royces within a radius of at least a quarter of a mile of the school. I would not dare add up the number of hours—yes, actually hours, that I have spent during the last six years just cruising in the environs of our school looking for a place to put the faithful "jollyoppy". Just think of the time that could have been put in before school looking up a reference in the library, tacking on an appropriate title to an English theme, or talking over world affairs and baseball with the boys in the corridor.

The location of hydrants, driveways, and other obstacles on Chestnut, Mattoon, and Hillman streets and around Apremont triangle have become even firmer fixed in our minds than have the fact of Gresham's law and the requirements for negotiability. Indeed, there has been a vast amount of energy misapplied—both mental and physical.

We, as resourceful students, must not just find fault with a particular situation—we must offer a solution. I offer two possible solutions, both of which I believe warrant deep consideration.

I would suggest that Northeastern students be allowed to park their "Cheveys", "Flivvers", and "Fierce Sparrows" right

on the grass of Apremont triangle opposite the main entrance of the Kimball Hotel. I'm sure that the city fathers would not object. The granting of this privilege would be in the interests of higher education and a few extra pounds of grass seed would not add materially to the municipal budget.

As an alternative I suggest that a ramp be built right into the ballroom of the Kimball Hotel. At first this suggestion may appear to be wild, but after giving a little careful consideration to the plan its feasibility can be seen.

The ballroom itself is large and would easily accommodate a large proportion of the students' cars. (If both Apremont triangle and the ballroom are used it would be well to allot space in the ballroom to students with higher grades. The adaption of this policy would induce better scholarship—no doubt.)

Like the triangle the ballroom is nearby to the school and a minimum of inconvenience would be caused the students. And, of course, the ballroom offers the decided advantage of protection to the cars from the elements.

One who is inclined to be shortsighted might argue that the parking of cars in the ballroom would hamper the evening social functions of the hotel. This might have been true twenty-five years ago but today anyone who puts in an appearance at a "ballroom" affair before ten o'clock is old fashioned and is just as much out of order as the man who insists on wearing his trousers with the cuffs above his ankles.

With the proper co-operation I firmly believe that Northeastern's parking problem can become a trouble of the past. It seems foolish to delay action any longer. Let's descend on the powers that be and make our wants known. The sooner we act the sooner will Northeastern become a better university.

# Practical Aspects of Mental Hygiene

## No. 3. THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS

By Calvert Stein, M.D., Law, '38

### VIII. The Nature and Growth of the Emotions

During the past forty years we have witnessed the coming of age of the scientific study of human behavior and personality. As a result of the pioneer efforts of men like Havelock Ellis, William James, Sigmund Freud and Ivan Pavlov, as well as scores of less publicized psychiatrists and psychologists all over the world psychology has been lifted from the armchair stage first into the experimental physiological laboratory and then into the clinic, where under the title of "Mental Hygiene" it now flourishes. As we give more attention to emotional conflicts and less to the so-called "instincts" we find ourselves better prepared to help those who come to us for guidance.

Definition: An emotion is a viscerosomatic response to a stimulus. It cannot take place without the intervention of the autonomic (sympathetic and parasympathetic) nervous system acting upon glands and organs within the body. The diarrhea of fear, the palpitation and blushing of love and excitement, the nausea of disgust, and the queer sensation in the pit of one's stomach or excessive perspiration upon experiencing unusual excitement or expectation are typical illustrations of the viscerosomatic expression of emotions.

An emotional dumb-bell is one who reacts to a mature situation in an immature manner by running away, or by a temper tantrum, or by narcissistic and auto-erotic conduct. Complete emotional maturity predicates independence, the willingness to assume responsibility, and a "normal" hetero-sexual adjustment. All people may experience various stages of emotional development ranging from dependency through adult maturity at different times of their lives.

### IX. Emotional Disturbances

Sickness produces an abnormally sensitive emotional state in almost every one, and in many cases the emotional state repercusses, as it were, on the organic disease. Moreover, death is not the worst thing in the world, and to help a man to a happy and useful career may be more of a service than the saving of life. (Peabody)

Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, a rapid heart beat, headache and "heart-burn" are symptoms that may accompany the nervousness attendant upon an impending examination, a forthcoming speech or public appearance, or participation in a sports contest—but they are just as distressing as though they were from some organic cause.

Ordinarily the symptom vanishes when the occasion for the nervousness has passed—but if instead of an important three-hour examination, e.g. the patient has to face a lifetime of disappointment, failure or hardship—then the factor of repetition fixes the unusual emotional viscerosomatic response into a conditioned habit and instead of saying "I cannot stand this life," the patient says, "I cannot stand this nausea and vomiting. I must go to see a stomach specialist," and thus the neurosis becomes securely established.

Such emotional reaction as sorrow, disappointment, anxiety, self-distrust, thwarted ideals or ambitions in social, business or personal life, and particularly what are called maladaptations to these conditions—these are among the commonest and simplest factors that initiate and perpetuate the functional disturbances, otherwise known as the Psychoneuroses.



Sometimes the mechanism of cause and effect is obvious; (backache in a woman on first experiencing domestic unhappiness, or headache from unfulfilled ambitions,) sometimes it becomes apparent only after a very tangled skein has been unraveled and after a score or more of lengthy interviews.

## X. Problems of Normal Youth

"The period of adolescence opens doors to the independent pathways of life. We must live our own lives; have our own experiences and learn to be responsible for what mental equipment nature has endowed us with." "During this period comes the desire for bigger and better things in life." "Problems which were left unsolved throughout the earlier years of life now come with the constant urge to do, and for self-expression which is now nearing its goal. A choice of a vocation, career, graduation, the making of friends—or going away from home for the first time." "The eternal question of sex creeps out and the laws of convention form the barrier that cannot be crossed unless one bars himself from accepted public standards." "Adolescence—is the age when one is no longer a child, but—begins to feel that he must assume a little responsibility and plan for the future—naturally some take this much more seriously than others." "At this age the problems of life seem to become more difficult." (Quotations from adolescents themselves, in answers to the question "What do you consider to be the greatest problems of adolescence?")

Primary natural law demands that individuals reproduce their kind lest the species die out. For this reason the reproductive urge is a powerful one.

Adult repressions soon conflict with childish curiosity; so that long before puberty nearly every normal child has learned that the subject of sex is not only tabu, but also "improper". Unfortunately, the parental edict of banishment does not solve the problem, nor quiet the conscience, for with puberty comes a powerful reemphasis upon the subject—periodic reminders that nature has at last decreed maturity, notwithstanding man made law to the contrary.

The acquired feelings of guilt, doubt, and idealistic desires to know and do the right things in regard to this—as to all other problems of life—make adolescence not only a plastic, but a stormy age as well.

Unfortunately, most adults never completely outgrow the effects of these conflicts, and so continue to pass on much misinformation, or to evade responsibility to their children.

How to deal with these problems from the age of childhood on through adolescence and adult married life; what to tell, and how to tell it with simplicity and candor; how to correct misinformation, and create a wholesome attitude and respect towards the subject of sexual education demands careful study, infinite patience, and above all tolerance.

## XI. The Choice of a Career

To know how to do at least one thing well, and to have done it often enough to have acquired that precious experience which advertisements and employers are constantly calling for, is the problem of American Youth just out of school.

Vocational Guidance constitutes the services and counsel which help a person to plan his career intelligently, to make his own decisions, and to discover his own limitations as well as abilities. Such guidance, therefor, represents the exercise of the functions, both of mental and physical hygiene to their fullest extent.

Psychometry, or the measurement of intelligence, as well as vocational aptitude tests, and detailed studies of the personality and health of the individual are among the instruments of precision by which educational psychiatry seeks to guide our youth in planning their future careers.

## **XII. Rules for Vocational Guidance**

1. Counsellors must have the confidence of those whom they seek to advise.
2. Prolonged study and many months of conferences may be necessary to discover and weigh the findings in the physical, emotional, intellectual and environmental life of those whom we wish to guide.
3. Answers to these questions may be helpful:
  - a. "What is your ambition?"
  - b. "What do you consider to be the greatest or finest thing in the world?"
  - c. "What would you do if you could have three wishes, and could have anything you wished for?"
  - d. "If all your wishes came true, and you also had a million dollars to dispose of as you pleased, what would be the first three things you would do with it?"
  - e. "Whom do you admire most?"
4. More significant are the ways in which the youth actually spends the time, money, and energy which he has at his disposal—especially his avocational and recreational pursuits—for these may be valuable clues to emotional conflicts and supposed ambitions, which will color his ability to accept your guidance.
5. Do not force or demand confidences, and do not be disappointed if your advice is ignored. Criticism should be given constructively and sparingly, or not at all. Infinite patience and tact are essential. It is more important for the youth to feel that he can always come back for help; than that he feel morally obligated to depend upon and follow your instructions.
6. Opportunity classes, Trade Schools, C. C. Camps, P. W. A. Projects, and the State Schools for the handicapped child are doing more in the way of Vocational Guidance than most people realize.
7. Frequent visits to factories, shops, stores, and other industrial centers in the company of patient and enthusiastic guides may be fully as efficacious in crystalizing ones useful ambitions as elaborate travel, tutoring, and counselling. In as much as one's desires are determined to a great extent by early complexes and associations, it is obvious that many valuable opportunities for constructive guidance are lost during the pre-school years of childhood.
8. Opportunity may offer several niches to an ambitious candidate. Efforts should therefore be directed towards giving as broad a foundation as possible, encouraging versatility and adaptability. One should learn by experience to profit from mistakes; and be able to discard the useless parts of his training so as to be ready to adopt new occupations and duties as occasion may arise. But each task, once undertaken, should be completed to the best of his ability before changing to another. If lazy habits are to be avoided in adolescence and adult life, they must be replaced by habits of industriousness during early childhood, preferably before six years of age.

## **XIII. Modern Youth**

Self preservation is the primary law of nature. From the time of his first kicking and screaming protest at birth, until the will to live no longer exists, as in melancholia, practically all activity and effort is designed to establish the security of the individual's existence. To belong, to be old enough and big enough to do the things their elders are doing, to be granted the same liberties and privileges that are accorded their older brothers and sisters, to win the approval of their father-mother gods, and later on of

their teachers and employers, and of the general public—these are the urges that are evidenced with varying degrees of intensity throughout one's natural life. All over the world the tragedy of insecurity is being written and enacted daily by millions of adults, as well as children, who are striving with might and main for a place in the sun of security in their homes and with their fellowmen.

Invention, science, and medicine have combined with the traditions of the melting pot of nations to change completely the problems which face the modern family.

Modern medicine and engineering have contributed to the comforts of civilized peoples, and lengthened their life-span; but the increasing cost of the so-called necessary luxuries in housing and transportation, has brought with it additional responsibilities and problems in the contemplation of marriage and parenthood.

Changes in urban and rural population, small apartments, and the growth of new industries have tended to increase the emphasis upon quality, rather than quantity in the rearing of children.

The new social order with its recognition of feminine independence is building a romance of womanhood never before equalled in the history of the world.

Recent social upheavals, and the realization of the futility of wars are indeed causing a revolt of modern youth that knows no parallel in any experience of their parents.

Modern journalism, radio, motion pictures, and electricity have so quickened the tempo of life today that it takes a very modern and active parent to keep abreast of the times so as not to allow his children to outgrow him too rapidly.

#### XIV. In Retrospect (Conclusion)

The fundamental urges or "instincts", to live, to reproduce and to adjust to one's environment, are changeless in all people, regardless of what their state of civilization may be.

Instinctive patterns are most important during early childhood. Necessity for modifying them produces conflicts and problems in personality and behavior. Our ceaseless search for a satisfactory compromise between beautiful and inspiring idealism, on the one hand, and practical reality, on the other, represents our own individual pursuit of happiness. But just as beauty is in the eye of the beholder, so too happiness is in the heart of the pursuer.

Not all of us can be psychiatrists; but the study of human behavior, is accessible to all who will give the time and energy required to handle intelligently most of the ordinary difficulties that are met with during childhood, adolescence, and maturity.

The success with which we have met and solved our own personal conflicts, both past and present, is a reasonably safe index to our ability to handle satisfactorily the ordinary difficulties of other people during childhood, adolescence, and maturity.

If we can teach others how to adjust their emotional reactions so as best to profit by their native physical and mental equipment, we shall have sent them far ahead on their road in pursuit of happiness.

## Adventures of a Check

By Ernest C. Swanson, '39

A check is a tiny chip tossed into the swift eddy of business and carried in a circular course back to its parent shore.

Before the ink has scarcely dried some burly plumber with greasy hands crumples the check in his pocket as he drives home to his eager wife. Next day the grocer benevolently tucks the check in his cash drawer but this satisfaction is short lived because the wholesaler calls and wants to be paid. The check is rushed to the company's office where it is banded with other checks to be deposited at the local bank.

In the bank the check is whirled from one department to another. First the teller glances at its signature, date, and endorsement as he verifies the amount of the deposit. He snaps it in a bunch of similar checks, places the total on his tally sheet, and drops the bunch into a small basket. A girl collects the checks which she separates into three groups—the bank's own checks, the local clearing house checks, and the checks of out of town banks. Totals are taken of each group and soon the check finds itself stuffed in a heavy canvas bag which is sealed and sent by railway express to the Federal Reserve Bank in Boston.

The Federal Reserve Bank is the clearing house for all out of town checks except those sent directly to correspondent banks. At the Reserve Bank the seals on the bags are broken, the checks are sorted, and the bags are sealed again. Again the check is speeding over the rails but now to the bank on which it was drawn.

The transit department of the bank receives the bag, dumps the checks on a table, sorts them into hoppers representing

the book divisions in the bank, and totals the checks of each book.

Now the current circles to the book-keeping room where each check is sorted alphabetically so it can be easily referred to. The amount is compared with the balance of the customer's account, the date is scrutinized, and the endorsement is carefully inspected. Should the funds in the account be insufficient to cover the check, then it is sent back over the same course which it came. If the date is older than six months, the customer is called by telephone for permission to honor the check. A stop payment order is the snag which mercilessly impales the check, holding it from continuing with the current. To pass inspection the endorsement must be written the same as the order on the check's face.

With these barriers safely past, the check, aided by the routine of the department, is swiftly propelled to its destination. After the amount is deducted from the customer's balance, a miniature photograph of each check is taken on a long ribbon of film which the bank keeps as a record. Then to prevent a second deduction from the customer's account, the check is preforated with the word "Paid", the date of payment, and the code number of the bank. The checks are filed in long steel drawers until the first day of the month. At this time each check is counted, placed in an envelope with the proper statement, and mailed to the customer's address. The journey's end is usually a musty file in a basement vault or chaotic pile of paper in a little-used desk drawer. The tiny chip has reached its golden shore.



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## Registration Totals 541

Registration at Springfield Northeastern, as of September 26, after nearly a week from the normal registration period was blown away by the hurricane of Wednesday, September 21, totaled 541, the second largest in the history of the Springfield division. It is expected that belated registrations will somewhat increase this number.

The freshman class of 143 is divided as follows: In Accounting, 41; in Management, 42; in Engineering and Business, 49; in Law and Business, 1; and in Law, 10.

Last year saw the largest enrollment in Springfield Northeastern history, with a total of 597 in September, increased to 630 by later registrations. In the fall of 1937 enrollments in Engineering and Business and in the School of Law were exceptionally large. Many freshmen entered in the

School of Law last fall, as that was the last opportunity before the state law requiring two years of college as a prerequisite went into effect.

The present enrollment in the Law School freshman class includes two graduates of Massachusetts State College, two from Boston University, and one each from Cornell University, Holy Cross, Yale, American International College, and Our Lady of Elms College. Several others are expected before registration is complete.

In keeping with the tradition of Springfield Northeastern, freshmen registered in the School of Law meet fully all the requirements of the state, and in addition spend five years in law school instead of the four required. The university authorities are confident that the law school will continue to attract students meeting every state requirement.

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## G. N. Benoit Speaks On Accounting

Mr. George N. Benoit of the Gilbert and Barker Manufacturing Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, a graduate of Northeastern University, was recently invited to present a paper to the Seventh International Management Congress on "Accounting for the Control of Manufacture."

This Congress is a gathering of Industrial leaders and management authorities from about 30 countries which met in Washington, September 19 to 23, 1938.

In this paper, Mr. Benoit deals with accounting as a control of manufacture rather than the recording of business transactions. "In a single entrepreneur business unit where profit motive, decision, and action are concentrated in one person,

the amount of profit and growth will be proportionate with the ingenuity, energy, and good fortune of the proprietor. As a business grows in size and complexity, it becomes increasingly difficult to keep the activities under the control of one person." Mr. Benoit in his article describes and illustrates in a very clear manner the control devices which aid in counteracting the dilution of the profit motive which results from the division of responsibility.

Our congratulations are extended to Mr. Benoit. We are proud of him and of the fact that of the two Americans invited to prepare papers for the Congress on Industrial accounting, one is a graduate of Northeastern University.

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# Dean's List for 1937-8 Released

The following Springfield Northeastern students made the dean's list in the School of Business for the academic year 1937-38. To be eligible for the dean's list the student must be a candidate for a bachelor's degree, carry a full program, and obtain an average of at least 80 for the year. The list follows: Graduates, class of 1938: Howard J. Chapin and Robert W. Pease of Springfield; seniors, class of 1939: Jeanette G. Berman, Violet L. Desilets, George H. Greene, Stanley C. Mathison, and Philip H. Porter of Springfield; Donald H. Bozenhard and Harold A. LeDuc of West Springfield; Robert D. Gourlie of Thompsonville, Ct.; Deane S. Clark of East Longmeadow; Russell E. Kraft of Providence, R. I.; John F. Moynihan of Holyoke; Ernest C. Swanson of Feeding Hills.

## Juniors

Juniors, class of 1940: Frank E. Hegarty, Samuel N. Slater, Emanuel Tesoro, David L. Turnbull, David Weiss, and Adolph J. Yodlowski of Springfield; G. Herbert Suhm of East Longmeadow. Upper middlers, class of 1941: Karl C. Bailey, Arthur S. Gminski, Frank S. Jamro, Thomas N. Kasemeotes, Louis Searleman, and David E. Tilden of Springfield; lower middlers, class of 1942: John P. Gaffney, Jr., Regis D. Heitchue, Burt L. Johnson, Joseph M. Onorato, Jr., Luke J. Smith, John F. Sullivan, Ralph S. Warner, and David K. Wentworth, Jr., of Springfield; Thaddeus J. Drewniak of Chicopee; Stanley J. Kuta of Westfield; Claude R. Parent of West Springfield; Edmund A. Szymczyk of Indian Orchard.

## Sophomores

Sophomores, class of 1943: Edward A. Anderstrom, Harold R. Barnes, Karl W. Boyd, Laurence F. Brundrett, Frank D. Cirillo, John B. F. Cirillo, Edward R. Deans, Nils L. Hakanson, Eugene F. Jenness, Kenneth E. Kiefer, Robert A. Lambert, Douglas T. Metcalf, Barnett M.

Meyers, Leon J. Newman, Rose Newman, Theodore Newman, Tom Robson, Jr., John A. Sickel, Jr., and Robert W. Williams of Springfield; Paul E. Allain of Fairview, Mass.; Webster Johnson of South Vernon, Mass.; Adam Korabowski, William J. Raschi of West Springfield; Stanley P. Lis, Benjamin R. Sandiford of Westfield; John A. Pond of Toronto, Ontario; Raymond F. Toohey of Chicopee; Alphonse H. Wilhelm of South Hadley Falls; Michael Zwarycz of Ludlow.

Of the above, the following were also on the Dean's list in 1936-37: Deane S. Clark, Robert D. Gourlie, Stanley C. Mathison, Philip H. Porter, Ernest C. Swanson, all of the class of 1939; Frank E. Hegarty, Samuel N. Slater, David L. Turnbull, David Weiss, and Adolph J. Yodlowski, all of the class of 1940; Louis Searleman of the class of 1941; Thaddeus J. Drewniak, John P. Gaffney, Jr., Burt L. Johnson, Claude R. Parent, Luke J. Smith, John F. Sullivan, and Edmund A. Szymczyk, all of the class of 1942.

## Law School

The dean's list of the School of Law of the Springfield division of Northeastern University has been announced for the year 1937-8. The following law students attained an average of 80 per cent or better for the length of time they have attended Northeastern's law school.

Graduates, class of 1938: Paul Bloom, Springfield; William K. McCoubrey, Chicopee; Paul A. Trudel, Turners Falls; Peter D. Wilson, Ludlow.

Seniors, class of 1939: W. Edwin Watkins, Springfield.

Juniors, class of 1940: Irving J. Angell, Springfield; Frances A. Bryant, Springfield; Morris Learner, Springfield; Sager T. McDonald, Springfield; Raymond M. Trudel, Turners Falls.

Middlers, class of 1941: Ruth Bonarth, Springfield; Harrison B. Clapp, Springfield.

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# New Courses May Replace Thesis

Among the various changes in curriculum which have been made for the school year beginning September, 1938, one is of particular importance to the School of Business. Two new courses are now available for the Business Administration students. These courses are popularly referred to as Business Readings; and are more technically called English 7 and English 8.

The apparent and immediate advantage of registering for Business Readings lies in the fact that those who do so are not obliged to write a thesis. Candidates for degrees in the School of Business are given a list of readings at the beginning of the Upper Middler and the Junior years. From the list the student may make his own selections, according to the requirements of the course. There are no classes to attend, no lectures to listen to, no recitations to make. Each student in his own fashion and at his own leisure does his own selected reading and writes a report which will be due the following year at registration time. Each of the courses, Readings 1 and 2, or English 7 and 8,—which ever he is in the mood for, presents the successful student with two semester hours' credit and is available to him for the charge of only one semester hour.

All the Business students who are not yet either Juniors or Seniors will have time to think this over and really know what it is all about before they begin their reading hours, but the Juniors and Seniors have

something to think about right now. Although it is neither logical nor sensible for a Senior to set aside his partially prepared thesis and plunge into the midst of both reading lists, he may do so, in the face of being called illogical and unsensible, if he wants to. He will have some fast reading to account for, however, for every senior electing Business Readings in place of a thesis must submit his reports for both Readings 1 and Readings 2, and that is not just a little reading either, not later than March 15, 1939. Even a thesis would be preferable to that rate of speed.

For the juniors there is little more encouragement, although they too are allowed to revise their plans and select the written reports on listed readings instead of writing a thesis, if they so desire. If some Junior with book-worm tendencies decides to try out this new pair of courses, his report for Readings 1 (E 7) will be due at the beginning of his Senior year, and his report for Readings 2 (E 8) must be submitted not later than March 15 of his Senior year.

Further details regarding these courses in Business Readings are to be found in the 1938-9 School of Business catalog, page 33, or on the bulletin board, or may be learned from Associate Dean Miller, thesis counsellor, who is instructing a course called Business Reports, recommended as a fine preparation for both Readings and thesis.

## DEAN'S LIST

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field; Edward L. Donnellan, Springfield; Henry H. Franklin, Greenfield, Dorothea M. Lyons, West Springfield; John E. Reed, Granville Center; Harold C. Sigda, Holyoke.

Sophomores, class of 1942: Anna E. Bergmann, Westfield; A. Martha Davis, Westfield; John Flynn, Jr., Springfield; Socrates Geanacopoulos, Chicopee Falls;

Peter N. Hall, Westfield; John T. Hanley, Springfield; Frank Placzek, Westfield; Frederic T. Suss, Springfield.

Of the above, the following were on the 1936-7 dean's list: Paul Bloom, William K. McCoubrey, Peter D. Wilson, W. Edwin Watkins, Irving J. Angell, Frances A. Bryant, Morris Learner, Sager T. McDonald, Raymond M. Trudel, Ruth Bozarth, Harrison B. Clapp, Henry H. Franklin, Harold C. Sigda.



# It Does Happen Here!

By Zabyda Abileider '40

Everyone is anxious to see what is going on in our community, and in foreign lands too. We glance at the headlines of our daily papers and may read PLANTS TIED UP BY WAVE OF STRIKES or FORD AGREES TO VISIT' ROOSEVELT or one of a hundred other topics of the day. We read these casually and pass over them, but if the headlines read TWO SPRINGFIELD YOUTHS KILLED ON WAY TO BALL GAME, we hurriedly read on to see who they were.

It could happen to anyone of us. It is up to each of us to do his part to reduce the appalling number of motor car deaths. We buy a car primarily for the convenience we enjoy, but many times our pleasure ends in disaster.

When we drive our car out of the garage we become a part of a procession. In front of us, behind us, along side of us, are hundreds, thousands, millions of other cars and drivers.

It is estimated that more than two thousand cars at one single isolated intersection on a Sunday afternoon were waiting to get past a traffic light. Thirty million automobiles and trucks on enough surfaced roads in this country alone would reach nearly a dozen times around the world at the Equator. They are operated by forty million drivers, 2,000 000 of them of high school age and 2,000,000 inexperienced. There are more than 150 cars for every mile of city streets, more than 25 for every mile of country highway. The congestion is so great in some cities that a 90-mile-an-hour car can average less than a 17 mile speed, even in the suburbs.

Children dash suddenly out into the streets to retrieve balls. Every once in a while cars smack together at intersections or sideswipe each other on highways with a crash that can be heard for blocks. Occasional speedsters leave the road in open country at 70 miles an hour to roll over and over like terriers, before they

start climbing trees or telegraph poles.

Is it a wonder that some folks would rather take a bus downtown than to take the car out. On some sections of the Boston Post Road the death toll is more than one person per mile per year and ten times that at certain spots. It is estimated that more than 5,000,000 cars are kept off the highways because of congestion and fear.

Last year saw the greatest death-toll in highway history: 39,700. More than 110,000 people were crippled for life. More than a million and a quarter were injured. More than \$1,700,000,000.—yes nearly a billion and three-quarters was lost in property damage and wages. More deaths occurred on United States highways during the last ten years than all American soldiers killed in all the wars in the country's history. Yet during 1937 there were more than 7,000,000 miles of automobile travel for every death, more than 200,000 miles for every serious injury, more than 50,000 miles for every smashup. The death figures keep going up—over a thousand more killed in 1937 than in 1936, two thousand more in 1936 than 1935.

It wasn't so long ago, in 1895, that there were only four funny little self-propelled buggies registered in this country. There were sixteen in 1896, and ninety in 1897. Then they began to breed like flies. They got faster and less expensive and more popular. Instead of being "horseless carriages" they became automobiles. There were 8,000 registered cars by 1900, with about 150,000 miles of paved roads, mostly in cities. By 1905 there were 78,000 and by 1910 nearly half a million.

	Cars	Deaths	Miles of Surfaced roads
1910	500,000	500	200,000
1920	9,000,000	9,000	350,000
1930	26,000,000	33,000	700,000
1937	30,000,000	39,700	1,150,000

There were all kinds of cars, all kinds of drivers, all kinds of roads and all kinds of laws. The whole business developed so fast in so many places, under so many

different conditions and different jurisdictions that measures had to be taken to install uniform safety signals and laws.

School children were instructed in crossing streets carefully. State troopers began to take the place of country constables and most states passed laws abolishing old speed traps and fee splitting. Road surfaces were widened. Where concrete highways once cost \$15,000 a mile, a minimum now comes to twice that, and even \$150,000 a mile for multi-lane boulevards. The Pulaski Skyway across Jersey meadows cost more than \$2,000,000 a mile.

Until 1925 the general confusion grew steadily worse. It was about this time that Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover called a Traffic Safety Conference at Washington. It served as a sort of clearing-house for ideas and finally produced a Uniform Traffic Code with signals and laws that could be adopted anywhere. About this same time a Safety Council at Los Angeles, noting that a Harvard post-graduate had turned in a thesis on street traffic conditions, invited him to come to the coast and help them reduce accidents. This man was Dr. Miller McClintock who has since come to be recognized as one of the leading traffic experts of the country. His work in Los Angeles started a new profession—Traffic Engineering. Principles of highway safety began to be worked out on a scientific basis. If all cars on the road are going in one direction, for instance, you can't very well have any head-on collisions. Consequently by separating east-bound and west-bound traffic with a neat strip of concrete or turf along the center of the highway we have fewer accidents. The danger of collision with trees and telegraph poles along the side of the road can be lessened by cutting down the trees and moving back the poles. Simple—but it takes a lot of money—and all this is from you and me in the form of taxes.

Scientists tell us there may be wonderful

traffic inventions to come. Automatic lighting systems that are turned on, like grade crossing signals, by passing traffic. Electric warnings from cars approaching intersections—possibly even radio controls at curves that will get cars automatically around danger points. But whether or not these things come, we won't be able to cut down accidents very far unless you and I, along with all the other fellows from the President to traffic cop, see to it personally.

Let us be among the living to read the headlines, and not be in the headlines to be read!

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## G. N. BENOIT

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A synopsis of Mr. Benoit's paper follows:

"In contrast with what perhaps is the popular conception of accounting, that it is the science which deals with recording business transactions, there is presented a case for an accounting which is designed to predict what the results of a plan of operation will be and to make conspicuous the variations from those predictions. As the accounting structure and procedure are built along the lines of the division of responsibility, it is a relatively simple matter to confine the reporting of these variations to the responsible supervisor or officer of the company for elimination, if possible, from future operations, or for guidance in making current and future decisions and predictions.

"The emphasis is on control rather than on history although the accuracy of the latter is maintained. The control devices described and illustrated are unit standard costs and a flexible factory burden budget. How the burden element in the unit standard costs is reconciled and integrated with the total factory expense budget is shown by cross reference between schedules. Both devices are designed to control the cost of material or labor or burden or any combination of the three

by being directed at the factors of cost, quantity and price.

"Hypothetical transcripts from the profit and loss accounting make up the following schedules and exhibits:

1. A statement of gross profit
2. A statement of standard cost of sales
3. A purchased material price variance adjustment
4. A labor rate variance adjustment
6. A recapitulation of production at standard cost and the resulting variances.
7. An adjustment for changes in standard costs.

There is also included hypothetical exhibits of

1. A factory burden budget
2. A sales forecast costed at standard.

"Several other devices which are not part of the profit and loss accounting are described or illustrated as to nature and function. These are maximum and minimum stock balances, standard lots of production, method of reporting inventory turnover and balances, and aids to the control of the cost of proposed designs or methods by scientific cost comparisons using the same factors and information with which standard unit costs are established."

In a letter to Director John Churchill, Mr. Benoit says: "A copy of the paper is enclosed with the thought or hope that it might be of some help to members of the classes in accounting."

The complete paper is available in the University office.

## JOIN THE STAFF

All students interested in helping make the Nor'easter please see Mr. Chatto in Room 5A on Tuesday, or leave a note in his office box.

## To Save New England

By R. W. Pease, '38

The New England section of our nation is not doomed. This is contrary to the opinion of many of the critics of our nation today. Although I do agree with some of their contentions, I cannot agree with their conclusions.

We must admit that New England has lost and is continuing to lose some of its industries, notably the textile industry. These textile mills are moving to the South where cheaper labor is plentiful and where taxes are lower. Many of our towns are literally disappearing from the map because their one and only industry has moved out. My answer to this migration of the textile industry to the Southern states is simple. The towns must realize their predicament before it is too late. They must make concessions to the mill operators and restore their faith. The market for textile goods still exists. The supply of skilled and unskilled labor still exists. Transportation facilities still exist. Water power still exists and money still exists. Cooperation among the operators, towns, and laborers is lacking. Cooperation must be restored if the North is to retain its mills.

New England has other industries, however, which have not moved out. The electrical, mechanical, and chemical industries are well established and represented in our section. Many small shops, mills, and foundries are scattered throughout New England. The business world has strong connections through the banks, insurance companies, and investment houses. Our industries are near the seacoast where adequate shipping facilities are maintained. A net work of railroad and truck lines offer excellent inland shipping opportunities. Our industries are diversified. New England needs them and the industries need New England with its abundance of skilled labor, capital, and resources.

New England offers many opportunities for tourists. In the summer, our pictures-

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## Middlebury Takes a Trip

Mr. Sylvester Smith  
607 Placid Drive  
Salem,  
Oregon

Dear Cousin Sylvester,

We are off schedule and late due to many occurrences between Sumburg, Mass. and yours of 607 Placid Drive, where, as you will recall, we were to arrive yesterday, but did not since we are here in Pocatelo, Idaho. Eloise is well, as am I, and looking forward to seeing you in the distant future, although we should have met before, and she thinks you should be explained to so you will not continue to sleep on the couch waiting for us to occupy your bedroom, for we will be in camps a while longer.

We started off from Sumburg as announced in our post card two weeks ago in the sunshine and have lost track of time since. At first we were uneventful, except on securing our first night's lodging where we were surprised to discover that our suitcase with our hot weather clothes, wash cloths, and toothpaste, is safely stored in the bank vault which is a mistake since we have a suitcase containing the family silver in the back seat.

Being of good disposition we let nothing mar our spirits and were up and packing early the succeeding ante meridian and ready to roll, which we could not, or even turn over and queer noises issued forth from under our hood and nothing happened. Some would have been perturbed, but not your cousin Middlebury who knows about automobiles having been in one on several occasions. After much deliberation, and unflustered studying of the Owner's Guide which came with our car, on purchase, it was time for lunch, and we repased and returned to the car for a look under the hood covering the unusual noises which continued but fainter at each attempt. We found, after loosening the spark plugs, which gadget was the distributor cap, took it off, blew on it, and finding nothing wrong, replaced it. A similar performance convinced us that nothing was awry with the fan belt, air cleaner, or horn.

Eloise was then hungry and tired and so sat down behind the car on the mossy bank and great is my chagrin but I am fair and give credit where due, for she found our trouble which was in parking too tight to above mentioned mossy bank, thereby burying right rear of car in mud and moss and filling exhaust pipe with mud. It was but a matter of moments to clean out this exhaust pipe with a long screw driver and we were again ready to roll, but with so many attempts the battery was all gone and we had to have a man put in a new one. Then it was supper time. After eating we drove down the street about two blocks and found another camp where we stayed the second night, on our way to you but not far.

Nothing further transpired until Iowa, a nice state, with large amounts of corn and detours, a few days later when Eloise was at the wheel. It was not prearranged that she should drive as resulted, but taking turns brings strange results like thunder storms. This storm was different, being seen in all directions, which is unusual because the sky is big enough to have some blue while it rains elsewhere in Iowa. Rounding a corner onto a detour Eloise began to skid. She and the steering wheel fought for some little time while the car ran as if it had been out by itself on Saturday night. The back swooped toward a ditch, balanced for a moment and slid across the highway to look at the other ditch. The front followed likewise, but neither could it decide until Eloise stopped steering like an amusement park and gave all the wheels time to get together



whereupon they all decided on the right ditch and in we went, sideways, and remained in the rain until a farmer came out, walked three miles to get his cows, drove them home, got out his tractor, oiled it up and hitched onto us and pulled. This mud is called Iowa gumbo and we spent the rest of the day finding our shoes in it. So we lost some more schedule.

In So. Dakota they have grasshoppers and it took two days to get through the state because we had to stop the car, and wind up the windows every time we had to breathe. Otherwise we would have inhaled grasshoppers which are not good for humans, nor for automobiles, as we found when stalled again and in need of bellows to blow out the insects from the radiator.

Tonight we are in Pocatelo, Idaho which is fortunate in having a tailor and so am I because in a cloudburst which appeared this afternoon, covering roadway, I was forced to walk ahead of the car to make sure there was a roadway underneath the water so that Eloise and my automobile would not go out of sight, and in so walking I went out of sight instead, having stepped off the highway and in swimming to road I was caught in the current and swept against the sign board which was lonesome in the flood and glad of company and insisted that I stay while the current wanted me elsewhere. In the argument between the two my best trousers were rent where I cannot see without taking them off and here I am behind a screen while a tailor is sewing and Eloise is talking with cowboys and Indians.

As we are going we will be with you next week at uncertain date, and in condition to visit.

Yours affectionately  
Middlebury

## On A Light Subject

By Edward J. Taft '39

I have often given serious consideration to wearing dark glasses to class some night—in fact, the only thing that stops me from doing this is that someone might think it just a little bit queer. You must be asking yourself, “Why in the world does he want to wear dark glasses?”. Well, the reason is that the lights in some of the classrooms at Northeastern are so situated that they throw a glare into the student’s eyes. This glare is made more serious by the low-ceilinged rooms, and unless you choose a seat where the light does not shine directly into your eyes, after about a half hour in class your eyes get that “sleepy” feeling and you experience difficulty in keeping them open.

It is quite embarrassing to me to have the instructor see my eyes drooping, as

though I were doing my sleeping in class instead of at home. The real cause of this drowsiness, however, is the poor lighting. I have facetiously mentioned the wearing of dark glasses to hide my heavy-lidded eyes from the instructor. There might be another advantage, too, in the wearing of dark glasses. If I really were sleepy, I could close my eyes and drop off without anyone being any the wiser.

In all seriousness, however, I believe that something should be done in Northeastern to better the lighting facilities to protect the student’s eyes. It is hard for a student who has been working all day to stand the “gaff” of coming into a closed room which is poorly lighted, as his eyes have already gone through a day of strain. I have hoped that it might be feasible to install some type of non-glare lighting fixture in order to protect our eyes.

## Intelligent Voting

By George H. Greene '39

The right to vote is both a privilege and a duty. I like to be included in the group of people who feel that they are taking advantage of an opportunity rather than performing a routine obligation when they go to the polls. I also like to feel that in exercising this right I am doing the best job I know how.

Although I have voted faithfully every year, my vote, along with that of thousands of other citizens, has been influenced by mere gossip, blind so-called party allegiance and ignorance of the actual facts. This is a frank confession and one of which I am not proud. Nevertheless it is a true one. I have not taken my voting privilege and responsibility seriously. I have been content to go with the crowd. I haven't put very much time into studying the real issues and I have tended to vote the straight Republican ticket just because my family happen to be Republicans.

At best, to vote intelligently is a task. It is hard to separate the pertinent from the trivial questions. Under the spell of campaign hurrah we form hasty opinions. We become disgusted with lengthy speeches full of destructive criticism. And in the end we chalk up our perennial Republican or Democratic crosses on the ballot.

We, as voting citizens, can help to remedy this unfortunate situation by intelligent study. As a starter I would recommend a study of the city treasurer's annual report. It is packed with interesting facts about the costs of running our city. We taxpayers should spend as much time and care in tracing the destiny of our tax dollar as we do in buying a piece of steak or an overcoat. By comparing the figures of three or four annual reports definite and fairly accurate conclusions to perplexing problems can be reached. Why are welfare costs higher? Do the tax returns warrant an increased cost per public school student? Would centralized purchasing perhaps be better than departmental purchasing? Yes, you may agree, perhaps

that it is a good plan to develop intelligent voting but in these busy times who is going to take the time to study a municipal financial report? The answer is, of course, not many. But we started to find remedies for haphazard voting. I honestly believe that our government would be on a much firmer basis if more of us would make an effort to learn some of the facts and in turn voted for the men whom we felt would take full advantage of these facts in governing in the future for the common good.

Much preliminary groundwork toward reaching higher voting standards could be laid in the junior high and high schools. In high school I remember temporarily digesting the offerings of countless pages of ancient and American history. I likewise remember the all too short five minute period when we discussed timely civic problems and their significance in our everyday lives. It is true that we needed a certain amount of historical background—at least American. It would be a tragedy for a boy or girl to grow up and not know about the battle of Bunker Hill, the Boston tea party, when the war of 1812 took place and who Alexander Hamilton and Benjamin Franklin were. But junior high and high school students are not too young to discuss the provisions of the Robinson-Patman act, a bill appropriating funds for New England flood control or the question of a new South end bridge over the Connecticut river. Such discussions provoke thought and if promoted in an unbiased manner will make the student civic-minded. He will be better equipped to vote intelligently upon reaching his majority.

Securing higher voting standards is a tremendous task. Needless to say my recommendations are only two of many and these two are far from faultless. They do offer a start, however, toward a goal that seems almost impossible to reach. But like any other worthy undertaking it demands honest effort. It is up to those who are willing to learn the facts and vote by an intelligent interpretation of these facts to elevate our voting standards.

# The Incomplete Angler

By R. W. Pease '38

When the alarm clock barks its orders, we jump out of bed, slip into our fishing clothes, and head for the breakfast table. Orange juice, cereal, toast, coffee, bacon and eggs will probably be a sufficient menu for the fisherman about to embark on another fishing trip.

After breakfast is over, our tackle, which consists of thirty feet of string, a few pins, a pair of rubber boots and a basket is thrown into the car and we are on our way. Before leaving the city we have to pick up Jack and Harry and stop at the bait store to buy some wiggly worms and slippery shiners. On our way to our favorite trout stream, we occupy ourselves relating once again the fish stories that have been told for the last ten years. The only difference in the stories is the size and number of the fish involved.

By now we have left the state highway and are worming our way over a narrow, bumpy, woody road. Soon we arrive at our secret location and park our car alongside the other fifteen cars which are already there.

When we have cut ourselves a seven or eight foot branch from a nearby tree, we attach the string neatly to the branch, attach a pin, carefully bent to the correct angle, to the other end of the string, and attach a worm or shiner securely to the pin. The stream is wide enough for two of us to wade down side by side. We take our positions and swiftly work our way down stream.

Stumbling and sliding along through rapids and pools, we laugh and sing, for this is "the life". If our progress is retarded by brush or debris we take delight in removing the obstructions so that in the future, our brother fisherman will not be annoyed. If some farmer has strung barb wire across the stream we cut the wire so that his cattle may have more freedom. If

we catch up to other fishermen we ask what luck. Whether they tell the truth or tell us they have six beauties we offer our apologies and clumsily wade through their favorite pool. So far our luck has failed us. We have caught a couple of undersized trout which we killed while carelessly removing the hooks from their throats. Tossing the dead trout on to the bank we remark that in this fine stream those two trout won't be missed.

When lunch time arrives we sit on the bank, eat some dried up sandwiches, and take a short nap. Having tossed our refuse into the brook we start down-stream once again.

Continuing our descent of the stream we question the dagger glances of our brother fishermen and seem to hear suppressed oaths as we go splashing by them. Hours later we reach the mouth of the brook as it enters the lake. We have fished the brook thoroughly and as it is getting toward dusk we start our journey back.

We do not follow the brook but cut through the woods. We thoughtfully cut down barb wire fences and remove bars from gates as we hurry toward the car. We remark that the stream must be fished out as our creels are empty.

Upon reaching the car, Jack and Harry are waiting for us. They agree that the stream no longer is a sure bet. On the way home we tell about the three or four whoppers that got off just as we were hoisting them on to the bank.

After putting the car in the garage, eating a little supper and reading the evening paper, we wind the alarm clock and resume our peaceful slumber which had been interrupted some fifteen hours before.

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News items and other contributions for the Nor'easter should be handed to A. Martha Davis, editor, or to Mr. Blodgett in the University office.

## Westward Ho!

By Frank H. Holloway '41

What youth hasn't been filled with the uncontrollable urge to visit far away places? In this respect my adolescent mind was normal.

My buddy, in those days it was always a buddy, and I mapped our route to include Niagara Falls, the Great Lakes, Chicago, and Cleveland. A Chevrolet of the 1920 era was to be used for transportation in our travels to these far flung outposts of civilization. For protection during the long nights a tent, guaranteed to repel dew, was purchased.

After days of preparation, we bid goodbye to our kin one morning bright and early. As we departed, neither spoke but both of us surveyed the surroundings longingly. No doubt things would be altered a great deal before we returned to this section of the country.

The day proved quite uneventful as we traveled westward through New York state. The country appeared to be quite civilized. Our main expense the first day besides hamburgers and coffee was for banners—banners of every ice pond, ravine, and dugout.

As darkness approached we pitched camp in the wilds of the west behind a gasoline station and lunch cart. A dance band close by kept us awake till one thirty, and the cold carried on where the band left off. We broke camp and turned west about four A. M.

Rolling merrily along the ancient vehicle suddenly developed peculiar noises in the vicinity of the rear end. Garagemen offered explanations varying from improper lubrication to a defective driveshaft which might tear the car apart at any instant. Undaunted, still buying hamburgers and banners, we advanced.

Niagara, our first goal, was reached about eleven A. M. We immediately crossed the bridge into Canadian territory. The big moment of my life had arrived; I was no longer in the United States of America. I was on foreign soil. Finding

time to eat another hamburger, we still had seen everything of importance by one o'clock. Neither of us knew of a more opportune time to see a movie. Selecting a thriller that had played back home two months previously we entered.

Late in the afternoon we headed for Buffalo planning to spend the night in that vicinity. Unable to locate a satisfactory spot and with the car acting more erratic by the moment we continued—east.

About eight o'clock the next morning munching hamburgers we roared into town banners flying.

Disappointing surprises appeared on all sides of us; the town seemed quite the same as it had when we left nearly forty-eight hours previously.

## To Save New England

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que mountains and valleys offer resorts as beautiful as those of any other sections of our country. In the winter, these same mountains and valleys offer excellent winter sports facilities.

Many of our traditions concerning morals, welfare, religion, and money have been disrupted by modern developments. This is not characteristic of New England alone, however, as other sections of our nation have shown similar tendencies. This trend is not necessarily detrimental to any particular section. Unreasonable traditions are often burdensome and we are better off without them.

New England is having a hard struggle to maintain its prestige, importance, and wealth; but this is also true of our whole nation. New England has had over three hundred years of experience in the social, economic, and business world. Many of our pet theories are obsolete and we have made many mistakes. Now is the time to bolster or substitute our weak theories and correct our mistakes. Have faith in New England. It is not doomed, but it is having a renovation. Out of our present difficulties will emerge a better New England; better for industry, better for our nation, and better for our people.



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## Eight of Thirteen Springfield Northeastern Grads Pass Bar Exam

Springfield Northeastern faculty and students are justly proud of the record made by the graduates of Springfield division of the law school in the state bar examinations of July, 1938. Of thirteen who took the examination, eight passed, and of those, three made so good a showing on the written examination that they were excused from the oral.

From the class of 1938 Paul Bloom, Eugene F. Riley, Peter D. Wilson, Paul A. Trudel, Richard C. Morrissey, N. Deane Moore and William K. McCoubrey were the successful candidates. Stanley A. Bigos of the Class of 1937 also passed. Peter D. Wilson, Paul A. Trudel and Richard C. Morrissey were excused from the oral examination.

A statewide total of 637 applicants took the examination, of whom 296 passed, or 46.6%. That figure, compared

with the 61.5% of the Springfield Northeastern graduates who were successful, clearly indicates that the training given in our law school compares most favorably with that of other professional schools, and that the caliber of our students is not inferior.

The fact that Springfield Northeastern Law School has always striven for the highest standards, and has not only met all state requirements, but has surpassed them, is justified by such excellent results as these.

We congratulate the men who passed the examination and realize the pride they must feel in the fact that their success will help materially to establish Springfield Northeastern Law School in the high place it deserves in the opinion of the public and of the profession.

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## Freshman Praised by Council For Work on Reception Posters

Northeastern freshmen will be proud to know that one of their members has worked with the Student Council to make the Freshman Reception and Dance a friendly informal party.

Everyone has seen and read the cleverly printed posters and reminder cards in the corridors of the school. Some students know whose time and ideas are in those posters but most of us would like to learn who is the artist. The freshman is George St. Georges from 88 Newton Street, Holyoke.

George was graduated from the Holyoke High School in 1932. He passed the entrance requirements of Harvard College

but was unable to enroll because of the depression. He worked in Holyoke until June, 1935 when he was appointed an instructor in the Government C. C. C. camp in Middlefield, Massachusetts. George taught arithmetic, geometry, English and handicraft. In 1937 he started as advertising man at Sears Roebuck & Company, Springfield, where he works at present.

Printing and painting are meat and drink to George. He loves to draw and his ambition is to build a sign painting business of his own. Good luck, George, and thank you for your cooperation.

Student Council.

## Frosh Reception Saturday Night

The Student Council has a piece of news that will make this year's Freshman class the envy of every upper-classman in Springfield Northeastern. The news has to do with the annual Freshman Reception, which is held every year about this time. There have been, in the history of the school, receptions and receptions, but the Council guarantees that never before has there been a class of Freshmen welcomed into our University with the kind of party to which this year's class is invited.

In the first place, no other Freshman class ever had a reception at Storowton on October 29. Now do you see where the fun comes in? With the date the last Saturday evening in October, with the refreshments in accordance with the date, with the famous WMAS orchestra, with Storowton's barn for a party, and with no charge for the tickets, whose fault will it be if the Freshmen aren't happy? You're right; the Freshmen's.

The only catch, and there's always a catch, in the whole thing affects the upper classmen. Naturally upper classmen are not supposed to attend Freshman Receptions, but occasionally one or two manage to secure tickets from somewhere and appear at the door. This year the Student Council will have no ear for upper classmen who want to pretend they are freshmen. Even with tickets, they just will not be admitted.

Besides guaranteeing good eats, a good orchestra, and a good time, all without charge to Freshmen, the Student Council wishes to assure every first year student that there will be no attempt to "haze" anyone. Of course it sounds too good to be true. But if you don't believe it come and see—provided you're a Freshman.

## Freshman Writes Of His Impressions

By Royb

I suppose that every student receives certain vivid impressions as he attends Northeastern for the first time. You upper classmen may not recall it, but I'll wager a pint of ice-cream that even you entered the doors of Northeastern with a feeling akin to awe and respect; more so, if, like me, you had been graduated from high school nine years ago and had not been within a schoolroom since that time—as a student, I mean.

If you are one of those fated to drive a car to school three nights a week, you may have received your first impression before you even entered the doors of the school—the impression that finding a place to park your car was going to be somewhat of a headache. If you don't drive a car you will not be able to appreciate that remark, but a possibility of three headaches a week is a serious proposition to be faced with!

After finally parking the car, I entered the doors of Northeastern, and walking up three short flights of stone steps, I found myself on the first floor of the school-proper. There was an incessant hum of voices. Everywhere was hustle and bustle. A long, single-file line of students had formed in and outside of the supply department waiting their turn to purchase text-books and to make their quarterly payments.

I decided that the drawer into which these payments were placed was of pretty good size.

And I felt sorry for Mr. Blodgett—doing his best to take care of the demands of more students than he could tend to for that evening. He did not seem to mind the rush, and I soon forgot his troubles to wonder what could be of such interest on the bulletin board. A group

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## Sense of Humor Breaks Tension

From the innermost depths of Room A-4 on the night of September 30 gales of laughter rang out following an uneasy lull. Mr. Richard S. Woodbury was conducting a class of second year law students on the subject of Agency. During the early part of the evening, the students called upon seemed to be prepared; that is, as far as having the work done was concerned, irrespective of whether it might be right or not. Shortly after the eight o'clock recess the tide changed; one after another the students answered, "Not prepared", "Sorry, sir, I haven't it", and all such replies in response to his call.

Just as the tension was becoming really alarming, from the point of view of the students, Mr. Woodbury smiled and said the situation reminded him of one he encountered when he was studying law. The class lecture rooms were built in a half circle with the students' chairs arranged tier upon tier and the lecturer on a raised platform in the center of the front of the room. Just as some of the instructors here do, the professor used a seating chart on his desk in calling on the students. He merely referred to the plan of the room and called for recitations at random. The professor, an eminent authority on Trusts, in fact, he was the author of the Trusts case book used by this school, was a very restless type. He paced the platform almost continuously, rumbled his hair, sat on the desk, and did most of the things common to extremely nervous persons. All went well in his class for a while until he struck a snag. After two or three vain attempts to get a recitation, he decided to try the tiers from left to right. Still his efforts were fruitless. Finally in

utter desperation, he snatched the seating chart from his desk, said, "Gentlemen, this chart is a snare and a delusion", scaled it out into the spaces of the classroom, and made a hurried and angry exit through the door just behind his desk.

Northeastern students, thankful that their instructors can display a sense of humor in a serious situation, should resolve, collectively and individually, never to place them in such a predicament again. To say the very least, it must be most exasperating to work all day and hurry to school at night only to be greeted by a class of partially or wholly unprepared men and women. When these men and women were children attending the grade schools, and even high school, the failure to prepare lessons was attributed to immaturity. Now that they have reached maturity, and the majority of them have, what can the cause be? Probably it may be nothing more than plain laziness or perhaps too many and too diversified activities.

Whatever may be the cause and whatever may be your situation with respect to it, this fact should be borne in mind. You are not kidding the instructor; he is getting paid for his services whether you use them to advantage or not. Naturally, he resents to a certain extent using so much of his time and effort during the year if it is not going to be of benefit to the ones whom it is intended to benefit. But you alone are the one who is paying tuition, buying books, and making it possible for him to offer his course. If you don't come through with your end of the bargain, you are the loser both intellectually and financially.





# On Better Lighting of Class Rooms

Friday evening in Mr. Nelson H. Foley's class in Management Problems and Policies, I decided to study the lighting system in Room B-5. I had always realized, along with my fellow students, the effect on my eyes of the inadequate illumination. I deliberately turned in my chair and watched the students' eyes. Some were blinking, others were rubbing their eyes or twisting their heads in an effort to avoid glare on the page. Their discomfort was due entirely to the faulty arrangement of the lights.

Now, the walls and the ceiling of Room B-5 are a dingy tan color. The light coming from the lamps has a large proportion of yellow rays, which are absorbed by the tan ceiling and are not properly diffused.

It occurred to me that as an experiment toward solving the problem of lighting in the university classrooms, the ceiling of Room B-5 might be painted white, or white with a faint tint of blue. I believe that this would reflect the light properly without the present glare.

The Student Council would be glad to study the results of such an experiment to determine whether the improvement would justify its being tried in the other classrooms. The Council would like to have the opinions of students and faculty members on the proposed experiment, or any suggestion that would help to improve lighting conditions in our classes.

David E. Tilden, President  
of the Student Council.

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## Council Announces Committees for 1938-9

The Student Council has announced the following committees for the school year 1938-9:

Finance Committee to deal with the problem of students leaving school because of lack of funds: Chairman, Carl J. Larson '40; assistants, John E. Reed '41, H. B. Clapp '41, Deane S. Clark '39, S. N. Slater '40.

Class Organization Committee to install class officers and aim for better class spirit: Chairman, John P. Gaffney '42; assistants, J. W. Buckley '40, E. F. Jenness '43, R. A. Lambert '43, F. E. Hegarty '40.

Placement Committee to meet the problem of finding work for our students: Chairman, D. R. Graves '41; assistants,

R. S. Warner '42, W. E. Watkins '39, S. C. Mathison '39.

Lecture Committee to plan program of speakers for school year: Chairman, Elizabeth A. Easson '41; assistants, A. Martha Davis '42, S. W. Warwick '39.

Nor'easter News Committee to publish Student Council Activities: Chairman, A. Martha Davis '42; assistants, Elizabeth A. Easson '41, David Turnbull '40.

Freshman Reception Committee: Chairman, Elizabeth A. Easson '41; assistants, R. S. Warner '42 and E. F. Jenness '43, kind of affair and place to be held; Carl Larson '40, F. E. Hegarty '40, and Ernest Swanson '39, tickets, posters and publicity; R. A. Lambert '43, orchestra.

# Middlebury's Getting Home

Mr. Sylvester Smith  
607 Placid Drive  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Cousin Sylvester:

You will be glad to hear that our schedule progresses rapidly since we saw you, same being somewhat slower previous to above mentioned seeing. If all goes as expected, which will be unexpected considering other parts of our trip, we should arrive home at Sumburg before tomorrow night. Due to many of these unexpected expectancies, our travels have been busy and therefore have not written, though it is indeed true that we thought of you and Oregon often in our moments of indecision and uncertainty and wished we might once again be with you so far away which is our idea of a place to live.

We are exceedingly grateful for your suggestion that Crater Lake was one of your beauty spots, and it is, as we have witnessed, and find it a spectacular memory second to none and running competition with Yellowstone, Mt. Hood, Columbia River, Redwood Highway and your Oregon coast along the ocean. We like other parts of the west simultaneously as for instance Grand Canyon, Painted Desert and the above mentioned, all of which we have passed safely and are in Pa. resting comfortably at Gettysburg anticipating Sumburg.

At Crater Lake, if you will step backwards with us to nearby you, we continued with our original program of getting behind schedule inasmuch as Crater Lake, besides blue water, has chipmunks and the M. Smith's had peanuts. This sounds innocent indeed as do so many misfortunes, and we were even generous according to our upbringing and reading about St. Francis, so we handed peanuts to chipmunks which are friendly and like nuts, which is why on our way some hours later I found two chipmunks, with stripes, in my pocket eating all my peanuts and comfortably riding along as we were. Needless to say we imperatively retraced our wheel marks for what good was upbringing and reading of St. Francis, if we would not return chipmunks home who like nuts and therefore come with me?

We were glad of another opportunity to look at Crater Lake which was still a different shade of blue this time, and caused us to gasp right beside a ranger who was directing traffic in the spot where everyone looks at the lake and gasps, but I gasped louder than most even on my second glimpse and it took ten minutes to straighten out the traffic which stopped at many angles to avoid hitting me.

When we once more got back on our road and had again reached the point where we found chipmunks in my pocket, I stopped the car to see if any more chipmunks were with us so we wouldn't have any farther to return with them than we did the first time, but there were none in my pockets except a wasp which stung me in my search. The sting was painful as you will recall if having had, and we found a C. C. C. camp where there was a hospital in the deep woods and the doctor was at home although all his patients were out fighting forest fires except those that had been and were now done up with heads, hands and feet in bandages. They are good firefighters and why should we pay taxes if we can't have the doctor look at a wasp sting which he was glad to do and wrapped it up in soda.

All went well until Grand Canyon, which is nice as all have heard, but it is high up there, about 6,000 ft., which is not so high as climbing Mt. Hood, or going

through the Teton Pass, but is more accumulative and right there my trouble arrived and is the reason why we will arrive home on time. Your cousin does not stand altitude well in large doses, and not knowing of this idiosyncrasy he was almost lost to you. Grand Canyon was not visible until we reached the camp site, and had secured a lodging for the night, gone into the lodge and looked over the souvenirs and then began to wonder why we hadn't seen the Canyon, and did it appear only once an hour or something like Old Faithful. So we went out the other door opposite the one we entered by, though which is front we do not yet know, and out in the front yard is the Grand Canyon. It is quite a gully and drops out from under your feet all at once before you know it is there. I miscalculated my stepping, although I saw the opening which is Grand Canyon, but my head was light and would not put enough weight on my feet to slow them down and in going to the edge to view, I overstepped and over I went, plunging out of sight into Grand Canyon, which is 14 mi. wide and 1 mi. deep. Only where I fell there was a ledge below about 10 ft. down and no one was hurt but Eloise who strained her throat when she screamed, and I, who fell on my wasp sting. Then I found out that I was bothered by altitude, only I wasn't quite sure, and to be certain we decided to take the airplane ride over the Canyon and see if I would feel still different, lighter, and maybe dizzier if I went up some more. I did.

Before we left home we had decided in our schedule to climb Pike's Peak or bust, on a burrow. Because of this light head from 6000 ft. on ground and 12,500 in the air, Eloise assured me that I had busted and need not climb the peak of Pike's. And that is why we are arriving home, if all continues smoothly, at Sumburg on schedule in spite of waylayings at certain points.

With much affection and trusting you are the same, I remain,

Your faithful cousin,

Middlebury Smith.

## Use The Date Book!

In the university office is kept a date book in which all coming events should be posted as soon as the date is determined.

I suggest that students in charge of the activities of fraternities, sorority, classes and alumni make use of this book to avoid conflicts which would tend to make both affairs less successful.

See Mr. Bowen or Mr. Blodgett, either of whom will enter the information in the date book.

David E. Tilden, President  
of the Student Council.

## Credit Due

Credit for the handbook material in this special copy of the Northeastern and for its preparation is due almost exclusively to Elizabeth A. Easson of the Student Council and Violet L. Desilets, recorder of Springfield Northeastern.

## Tidbits

Fear holds back potential energies.  
A man afraid to do—never does.

A journey of a thousand miles begins  
with the first step.



## Civil Service

By Robert Hachadourian '44

How many of us appreciate the importance of Civil Service and its direct bearing on the public welfare? Because of its lack of scope we are losing much in better government.

Our public welfare depends in large measure upon the honesty and efficiency of government employees. Yet under existing conditions many of them are appointed by political leaders in return for favors rendered.

Many appointed cannot adequately fill their positions while some use their advantage to "make hay while the Sun shines". Still others become efficient only to be replaced by the less able. This uncertainty as to duration of political favor makes work all the harder.

The spoils system then is one of the roots of crooked politics. It attracts the parasite. It gives the unscrupulous politician an unfair advantage over his more honest rival, for he will exploit every possibility for himself.

A clear comparison of efficiency between Civil Service and non Civil Service employees can be seen by comparing respectively the Rhode Island and Massachusetts Unemployment Compensation Commissions during their early months at work. Rhode Island's qualified personnel performed its duty efficiently. In Massachusetts, thousands of unemployed did not receive their compensations until many months after they became due. Letters in protest were written to the Governor by various unions. There were no results. Finally after many public protest meetings were organized the Commission got to work. In the Springfield area 6,000 checks arrived the day before the meeting. This was the result of mass protest. Another result has been the hurrying up of the change to Civil Service.

We will take a long step forward when all possible non elective positions are filled

## Sorority News

On Friday evening, October 14, Sigma Nu Upsilon held a get-acquainted party for the purpose of welcoming prospective members, freshmen and upperclassmen alike.

Mildred Lezinski, president of the sorority made the informal reception speech, which was followed by remarks from the other officers.

A goodly number of potential members were present. Each member and each prospective member introduced herself. Among other things, Miss Lezinski described the activities of the sorority, stressing particularly the scholarship offered to a women student.

Following games of a more or less intellectual nature, the committee in charge of refreshments took over to the utter satisfaction of all concerned.

### Bowling League Planned

Bowling is a healthful recreation which can be enjoyed with others, offering in addition to exercise, companionship with fellow students.

Sigma Nu Upsilon is in a position to secure bowling facilities at the YMCA, evenings after school for those women who are interested. Needless to say, an enterprise of this sort is not of much use unless we have a worthwhile showing. Sign up girls!

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by Civil Service appointment. Under this system, selection is based on merit only and employees cannot enter politics.

The service rendered by these qualified employees will be much better and cheaper. But perhaps the public will gain even more through the purging of the political parasite, who when the incentive is gone will leave the political field open to the more altruistic public servant.

Let us become more active and interested in the correction of this situation. It can and ought to be done.

# Freshman Bible

## GREETINGS, FRESHMEN!

In the years you are to spend with us at Springfield Northeastern, the Director will have little opportunity or occasion to know you intimately—unless you get into trouble or have very high grades. As a result, he avails himself of this opportunity to give you a few words of friendly counsel and his greetings.

Every one of us, some 60 in all, who represent administration and instruction, are glad to have you with us and each covets your acquaintance if you are entering with the intention of doing your best and of developing to your utmost, here and in the years after graduation, in mental stature and moral growth.

We know each of you has possibilities of such development or you would not have been admitted, and we have little doubt you can attain the desired ends if you observe a few simple principles. First, study hard. Less than two hours out of class for each hour in class is a poor investment of your time. Second, make the most of the not too many but still frequent opportunities for pleasant association with your classmates, other Northeastern men and women, and with members of the faculty. Extra-curricular activity bears as fine dividends as does study alone. Just don't get the order inverted.

We have helped you start rightly: you have already begun your studies. The Student Council is helping you to continue rightly: the barn at Storrown, October 29, is the next right step for you.

Best wishes, Freshmen,  
From the Director.

## CALENDAR

Sept.	1-9	Conditioned Examinations.
	8	Upper Classes in Law Begin.
	12	Upper Classes in School of Business Begin.
	19	All Freshman and Pre-College Classes Begin.
	24	Last Date for Payment of First Tuition and First Semester Student Activities Fee.
Oct.	12	Holiday.
	29	Freshman Reception.
Nov.	11	Holiday.
	14	Second Tuition Payment Due This Week—School of Business.
	21	Second Tuition Payment Due This Week—School of Law.
	24	Holiday.
Dec.	21	Holiday Recess Begins.
	21-30	Special Make-up Sessions.
	1939	
Jan.	4	Classes Resume.
	23	Third Tuition and Second Semester Student Activities Fee Due This Week—School of Business.

	30	Third Tuition and Second Semester Student Activities Fee Due This Week—School of Law.
Feb.	22	Holiday.
Mar.	13	Fourth Tuition Payment Due This Week—School of Business.
	15	Last Date for Submission of Theses and Payment of Thesis Fee.
	20	Fourth Tuition Payment Due This Week—School of Law.
Apr.	15	ANNUAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION BANQUET.
	19	Holiday.
May	1	Last Date for Filing Applications for Degrees and for the Payment of the Graduation Fee.
	30	Holiday.
June	4	Baccalaureate Exercises.
	5	Class Day Exercises.
	7	Commencement Exercises.
	8	Alumni Reunion.
July	15	Approximate Date for Status Reports for 1938-39.

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### COUNSELORS AND INSTRUCTORS

- Guy Dolphus Miller, A. B., C. P. A., Ed. M. 1919  
 Counselor, Accounting and Management subjects; Business Reports and Conferences, E 6; Business Readings, E 7, E 8  
 Horace Jacobs Rice, B. S., LL. B. 1919  
 Contracts, Wills  
 Luther Anderson, A. B., A. M., Ph. D. 1919  
 Fundamentals of Business, M 1-2  
 Charles Russell Clason, A. B., LL. B. 1920  
 Suretyship  
 Alexander Duncan Davis, B. T. E. 1920  
 Mechanical Drawing, Dr 1-2  
 Fred Wooding Hutchinson, B. S. 1920  
 Counselor, Mathematics and Science subjects; Analytic Geometry, Math 3; Calculus, Math 4  
 Harry Harris King, B. S., C. P. A. 1920  
 Cost Accounting, A 9-10; Auditing, A 11; Constructive Accounting, A 15  
 Frank Auchter, LL. B. 1921  
 Counselor, Middle, Junior, and Senior law subjects  
 Hamilton Torrey, B. S. 1921  
 Business English, E 1-2 (On leave of absence)  
 William Ward Johnston, M. C. S., C. P. A. 1922  
 Income Tax Procedure, A 13-14  
 Robert Ware Bodfish, A. B., LL. B. 1922  
 Use of Law Books; Bills & Notes; Comprehensive Review  
 Douglas Crook, C. E., D. Sc., LL. B., LL. M. 1922  
 Rights in Land; Conveyances, Mortgages; Landlord & Tenant; Future Interests  
 Clarence Mortimer Hall, B. S., M. S. 1922  
 Electricity, Ph 7-8  
 Cyrus Walter Jones, B. S. 1922  
 Business English, E 1-2  
 Stanley Oscar Smith, B. C. S., Ed. M. 1922  
 Intermediate Accounting, A 3-4  
 Ralph Stevens Spooner, A. B., LL. B. 1922  
 Evidence; Legal Ethics; Massachusetts Practice  
 Gilbert Creighton Walker, A. B., Ed. M. 1922  
 Introductory Accounting, A 1-2  
 William Wood Yerrall, A. B., LL. B. 1922  
 Corporations; Partnership; Sales  
 Ernest Westervelt Carman, A. B., LL. B. 1923  
 Bankruptcy  
 David Holbrook Brown, A. B., LL. B., A. M. 1923  
 Business Economics, Ec 1-2;  
 Financial Organization, Ec 3-4;  
 Economic Development of the U. S., Ec 9  
 Carroll Ward Robinson, A. B., Ed. M. 1924  
 Public Speaking, E 5  
 Gerald James Callahan, A. B., LL. B. 1924  
 Constitutional Law; Domestic Relations; Common Law Pleading; Personal Property  
 Frank Yaeger Hess, B. S. 1924  
 Chemistry, Ch 1-2  
 Nelson Haywood Foley, 1926  
 Management Problems & Policies, M 9-10  
 Government Controls in Business, M 11-12  
 Edward Phelps Grace, B. C. S., C. P. A. 1927  
 Accounting Aids to Management, A 5-6  
 Reginald Nelson Blomfield, B. A. 1929  
 Advanced Algebra, Math 1;  
 Trigonometry, Math 2  
 Malcolm Angus MacDuffie, S. B. 1930  
 Strength of Materials, Ph 5, Ph 6  
 Herbert Moore, A. B., A. M., Ph. D. 1931  
 Business Psychology, M 5  
 Walden Porter Hobbs, C. P. A. 1931  
 Accounting Problems, A 7-8  
 Jerome Lyon Spurr, S. B. 1931  
 Physics, Ph 1-2; Mechanics Ph 3-4  
 Clarence Richard Brooks, S. B., LL. B. 1932  
 Legal History; Torts  
 George Wright Howe, A. B., M. B. A. 1932  
 Business Planning and Research, M 13-14  
 Business Administration Seminar, M 15-16  
 Clarence Irving Chatto, A. B., A. M. 1933  
 Business English, E 1-2;  
 Advanced English, E 3-4  
 Alden French, A. B. 1933  
 Marketing, D 1-2  
 Richard Stowell Woodbury, A. B., LL. B. 1935  
 Counselor, Freshman and Sophomore law subjects; Agency  
 Eliot Palmer Brooks, A. B., LL. B. 1935  
 Equity; Insurance; Conflict of Laws  
 Ernest Adolph Berg, B. C. S., LL. B., C. P. A. 1935  
 Advanced Accounting Problems, A 17-18  
 Carl Odlin Chauncey, LL. B. 1935  
 Legal Aspects of Business, L 1-2  
 John Haynes Miller, A. B. 1935  
 Business Statistics & Forecasting, Ec 7-8  
 Eliot Leland Wight, B. A. 1936  
 Principles of Selling, D 3; Sales Management, D 4; Advertising Principles, D 5; Advertising Campaigns, D 6

- William Thomas Dillon, L.L. B. 1937  
Trusts
- Elo Carl Tanner, B. M. E. 1937  
Engineering Drawing, Dr 3-4;  
Machine Design, Dr 5-6
- Paul Almy Wilks, A. B. 1937  
Business English, E 1-2
- Lafayette Clowe Reynolds, B. E. 1938  
Credits and Collections, M 7-8  
Pre College Instructors
- John Doane Churchill, A. B., A. M. 1920  
History
- Hamilton Torrey, B. S. 1921  
English
- Ralph Colby Parmenter, A. B. 1925  
Mathematics
- Ralph Lorenzo Bowen, B. C. S., B. S. in Ed. 1930  
Economics

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### ADMISSION, CURRICULA, MARKS, ETC.

Information as to admission, courses of study, system of grading, etc., together with the history of the University, is to be found in the catalogs of the several schools.

The Springfield Division of the University includes the School of Law, the School of Business, and various pre-college subjects. The latter while not constituting a full secondary school program give the regular and complete high school instruction in each of the courses offered. These are available not only under the title "Pre-College Subjects" during the regular academic year, but are available during the forenoon hours in the summer vacation under the name of the Springfield Summer School.

The School of Business has four major curricula: Accounting, Management, Engineering and Business, Law and Business.

All recitations are in the evening.

### BULLETIN BOARD

The official source of information other than the office, catalogs, etc., is the Bulletin Board in the lobby opposite the Bookstore. The student is held responsible for all information posted there either by the office or members of the faculty.

Official notices will generally be found on the upper section of the board. As far as possible, the lower portion is reserved for student announcements.

### RULES ON ATTENDANCE

The student must attend at least one-half of the sessions in a course to be permitted to take the examination therein. No excuse is available against this rule.

If the student attends between one-half and three-fourths of the sessions in a course he must

attain a minimum average grade of 70 for the course.

To receive credit for attendance at a lecture a student must be in the classroom during the entire session unless upon satisfactory excuse his presence for a shorter period is accepted. Absence from the classroom of over one-half hour will result in the loss of attendance credit.

Three partial absences count as a full absence. These may be incurred at the beginning of a session, before or after recess, or by dismissal from the class. Partial absence slips must be obtained from the office before attending class.

Absence from the class should be reported to the Recorder within one week of occurrence, date, class, and specific reason involved being stated.

## FINANCE

### Tuition and other Fees

Tuition, laboratory, student activities, graduation, thesis, and other fees must be cared for as stipulated in the University rules. All obligations must be paid before, on, or within, the dates regularly scheduled for the same; and in the case of special deferred payment agreements, on the date involved in the agreement. Students whose bills have not been properly cared for when due are not admitted to classes.

### Student Aid Fund Loans

The Student Aid Fund is a revolving fund which originated with a simple "tag" contribution solicitation for which the members of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity took the responsibility and which they have carried on regularly year by year at about the mid-year period. The fund has developed appreciably in recent years by the use of balances from the Student Activities Fee at the end of every fiscal year, and from certain gifts from the faculty. It is not large, but being a revolving fund, it is reasonably adequate to care for the financial needs of every worthy student who wishes to submit full and complete data concerning his needs when a loan is necessary to make possible the continuance of his education. Requests for aid and statement of facts causing the need should be made to the Bursar.

## USE OF UNIVERSITY SPACE

Outside of the time rooms are in use for scheduled University activities, they are available for student purposes provided a representative of the group desiring it shall have made arrangements before hand for it through the Associate Director's office.

Smoking? Yes, after 9 P. M. Ventilation facilities are such that smoking, even in corridors, prior to that time makes a disagreeable situation both in classroom and other space during recitation hours. Smoking prior to that time is permitted in the lavatories and the stairways though it is not entirely desirable.



## COUNSELING SERVICE

One of the most important services rendered the student is the aid available through Counselors who advise and guide students in the numerous problems that grow out of class work. They assist in training students in proper methods of study.

The intimate personal relation of counselor and student results in more rapid development of the powers of analysis, a wiser and more comprehensive understanding of courses and an economy in the use of time in preparation for class work and in review for examinations.

For Law students, the primary point of contact with Counselors is through the required notebook work; for Accounting, Management, Engineering and Business, and other students it is through the necessity of their consulting the Counselors when they have either done poor work in tests or are referred directly to them by instructors.

But in all cases students are urged to avail themselves of counsel which these important members of the faculty can and will give them even though notebooks or tests are practically the only matters concerning which the University requires the student to see the Counselor.

Counselors have regular office hours and are available at other times upon appointment.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### Junior Scholarship

A scholarship of twenty-five dollars is awarded annually to that student of the Junior Class who has made the highest average grade in all courses from his Freshman to Junior years inclusive. This applies to students irrespective of whether they be in the School of Law or Business. The scholarship is donated by Delta Chapter of the Phi Tau Kappa Fraternity.

### Middle Scholarship

A scholarship of twenty-five dollars is awarded annually to that student of the Middle Class, School of Law, or to the Lower Middle Class, School of Business, who has made the highest average grade in all courses of the first three years. The scholarship is donated by Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

### Sophomore Scholarship

A scholarship of twenty-five dollars is awarded annually to that student of the Sophomore Class who has made the highest average grade in all courses of the first two years. This applies to students irrespective of whether they are in the School of Law or Business. The scholarship is donated by Alpha Chapter of the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity.

### Freshman Scholarships

Awards in multiples of twenty dollars toward Freshman tuition are available to applicants for admission. They are made upon the basis of

academic excellence for, and at the termination of, the required previous academic training. One of these is granted to that student who, of the first ten in average for the school or college, as the admission requirement may necessitate, shall stand highest of the number from that institution who have applied for admission in the subsequent fall to Northeastern University, Springfield Division.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

### THE STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council is composed of representatives from the various classes in the several curricula offered in the Springfield Division of the University. It is the executive committee of the student body in charge of elections, celebrations, inter-class contests, etc.

Plans, action, and records of the Council, before presentation for any necessary approval by administrative officers or the Board of Governors, must have the consideration of the alumni advisor for the Council, Associate Director, R. L. Bowen, '25.

The Council for a given year is named through written ballots at the end of the previous year by members of the faculty who have the majority of the student body in their various classes, once or more, within the two years previous to the balloting.

The members for 1938-39 are:

#### Class of 1939

Deane S. Clark	Ernest C. Swanson
Stanley C. Mathison	Stephen W. Warwick
	W. Edwin Watkins

#### Class of 1940

Joseph W. Buckley	Carl J. Larson
Frank E. Hegarty	Samuel N. Slater
	David L. Turnbull

#### Class of 1941

Harrison B. Clapp	Donald R. Graves
Elizabeth A. Eason	John E. Reed
	David E. Tilden

#### Class of 1942

A. Martha Davis	John P. Gaffney, Jr.
	Ralph S. Warner

#### Class of 1943

Eugene F. Jenness	Robert A. Lambert
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The current Council officers are: D. E. Tilden, President, '40; E. C. Swanson, '39, Secretary, and David Turnbull, Advisor.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES FEE

This is a fee of \$2 collectible from each student \$1 at the opening of each semester on the date of the first and third tuition payments. It is administered by the University authorities and the Student Council entirely in the interest of students for extra curricular purposes.

Special lectures, entertainments, and other activities administered by the Council are financed through this medium. Any balance in a given year is added to the Student Aid Fund.

### THE NOR'EASTER

Many groups and certain activities, for example, the Student Council and the Annual Banquet, are as old as the Springfield Division of the University itself. One of the youngest and yet in many ways the most valuable is the "Nor'easter". The paper has been published some four times a year, each of the past three years, "in the interests of Springfield Northeastern."

It is the result of the loyal work of an instructor, now on leave of absence, and a limited number of students whom he first met through his classes. The present faculty advisor is Mr. Clarence I. Chatto. The present editor is Miss A. Martha Davis, '42. The staff is now rather well organized. Students wishing to "make" the staff should consult the faculty advisor of the editor.

The Nor'easter staff for 1937-38 was:

Class of 1938  
Eugene F. Riley

Class of 1939  
George H. Greene

Class of 1940  
David L. Turnbull

Class of 1942  
A. Martha Davis      Mary K. Foley  
Thaddeus J. Drewniak

Class of 1943  
Paul Chmiel      Iris E. Fresco

### ATHLETICS

For Springfield Northeastern, athletics are confined to intra-college contests by rule of the University authorities. The particular program in athletics from year to year rests in the hands of the Student Council, subject to administrative approval.

### CLASS ORGANIZATIONS

The class units of the several schools are organized as individual groups except for Juniors and Seniors, these being organized as single Junior and Senior Classes to facilitate the mutual acquaintance and friendship of undergraduate days which become of such happy importance in the days after Commencement.

In addition to the advice and assistance which the Student Council may render to each class organization, like counsel may be obtained from the Associate Director, Mr. Ralph L. Bowen, or the Assistant Director, Mr. Maurice M. Blodgett.

### APPLIED SCIENCE SOCIETY

The only departmental or academic club at Springfield Northeastern is the Applied Science Society of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University.

This society was organized to promote fellowship between the students in the Engineering and Business curriculum, and to aid its members in obtaining employment. Membership, though broadly open to all regularly matriculated students in the Engineering & Business curriculum, is by election.

The last official membership list as of 1936-37 was:

Class of 1939  
Russell E. Kraft      John H. Riffelmacher

Class of 1940  
Albert C. Christensen      Frank E. Hegarty  
Alfred N. MacLennan

Class of 1941  
Thomas N. Kasemeotes      Robert L. Matthews  
Frank S. Jamro      Samuel Wallans

Class of 1942  
David A. Duncan      Edward A. Hachadorian  
Donald W. Gaitenby      William H. Morrison

### RELIGIOUS LIFE

Other than for optional participation in the religious activities of the local Young Men's Christian Association, and the Baccalaureate Service at Commencement, no religious program is attempted. The brotherly love of Jesus Christ is the motivation behind the University, which, though non-sectarian in requirements, stands for and attempts to advance through precept Christian principles. It is desired that all students may be active and devout members of the churches of their personal preference.

### SOCIAL LIFE

As is true of all extra curriculum activities, there is but minimum of time for social affairs in the University. The Student Council, as in all matters that promote the best interests of Springfield Northeastern, recommends and provides for certain social gatherings. The most popular and time-honored of these is the Annual Banquet held toward Spring. To this, and separate from commencement festivities, are added several fraternal and class social events, forming no small part of college values.

### FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

There are three fraternal groups at the present time organized within the Springfield Northeastern student body. Each is actively engaged in the promotion of scholarship, sociability, and the general welfare of the University. Membership in each, though on a very democratic basis, is by election.

### Pi Tau Kappa

Pi Tau Kappa is a general fraternity. The Springfield Chapter, Delta, is one of several existing in different divisions of the University.

Present undergraduate members:

#### Class of 1939

Thomas Anas	William V. Hardina
Donald H. Bozenhard	John Laming
Deane S. Clark	Stanley C. Mathison
Harold A. LeDuc	Ernest C. Swanson
Robert D. Gourlie	W. Edwin Watkins

#### Class of 1940

Albert C. Christensen	Samuel N. Slater
Carl J. Larson	John T. Teece, Jr.
R. Stewart McClenaghan	Emanuel Tesoro
Robert E. Sharpe	David L. Turnbull
Alfred N. MacLennan	Ernest A. Carlson
G. Herbert Suhm	

#### Class of 1941

Karl C. Bailey	Thomas N. Kasemeotes
Robert A. Edwards	Frank H. Holloway
Donald R. Graves	Stuart Reynolds
Donald I. Hodgson	David E. Tilden

#### Class of 1942

George R. Carlson	Kenneth Sanderson
Harley B. Goodrich	Russell Sandstrom
Winston B. Larson	John G. Tilley
Robert C. Pasco	Leslie F. Williams

### Sigma Nu Upsilon

Sigma Nu Upsilon is the women's club of the Springfield Division. Its purposes are like unto those of a general sorority. A special commitment is the creation of a scholarship fund for a woman student.

Present undergraduate members:

#### Class of 1939

Jeanette G. Berman	Violet L. Desilets
Mary B. Coulter	Mildred M. Lezinski
Hazel A. Selig	

#### Class of 1940

Zabyda Abihider	Frances A. Bryant
Elizabeth E. Gryzberg	

#### Class of 1941

Elizabeth A. Easson	Mary E. Hurley
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#### Class of 1942

A. Martha Davis	Eunice G. Donovan
Ruth M. Moore	

#### Class of 1943

Katherine C. Garvey
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#### Unclassified

Alice V. Newman
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### Epsilon Phi Sigma

Epsilon Phi Sigma is a general fraternity which originated at Springfield Northeastern. It is actively interested in the creation of scholarship and student aid funds.

Present undergraduate members:

#### Class of 1939

Elmer Cascio	Edward R. Dupuis
Maurice M. Chaffin	Russell E. Kraft
Leon D. Chapin	John T. Quirk, Jr.
Howard J. Cotter	John H. Riffelmacher
Arthur W. Donahue	Edward J. Taft
Stephen W. Warwick	

#### Class of 1940

Joseph W. Buckley	Sager T. MacDonald
Leo F. Gallivan	Francis A. Murray
Morris Learner	Adolph J. Yodlowski

#### Class of 1941

J. Leonard Bannon	Samuel G. Fortin
William F. Buckley	Robert L. Matthews
Justin G. Cavanaugh	Finlay C. Milroy
George P. Chevrier	C. Harry Nystrom

#### Class of 1942

William H. Morrison	John C. Symancyk
Gerald T. Teehan	

#### Class of 1943

George J. Leger
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## *Springfield Northeastern*

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(Music: Maryland, My Maryland)

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Thou shalt never be unsung,  
Springfield Northeastern,  
For we will sing thy praise alone,  
Dear old Northeastern.  
To thee we pledge our loyalty,  
Bound all in deep fraternity;  
Thy praise we'll sing right royally,  
Springfield Northeastern.

Thy halls of learning we will praise  
Springfield Northeastern,  
Thy fame and honor try to raise,  
Dear old Northeastern.  
In legislature, school, or bank,  
In office, mart, life, court, or plant  
Our work shall demonstrate thy rank,  
Springfield Northeastern.

S. O. Smith, '22.



# THE NORTHEASTER

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# Wallace January Council Speaker

By Mary K. Foley '42

Under the auspices of the Northeastern University Student Council, Attorney Dudley Wallace, of this city, was secured as the guest speaker for the month of January.

Responding to an able introduction by Harrison Clapp, Mr. Wallace began with a brief discourse on the laxity of most lawyers in drawing a will for themselves. He said, "They always think they are going to draw a will. I have thought at some time or other I would draw one for myself. I thought I would have two definite prohibitions in it. 1. I would not have a male quartet at my funeral. 2. There would be no eulogy over the corpse. Since listening to the eulogy by Harrison Clapp, I would amend that second prohibition to read, there would be no eulogy unless by a student of the University Law School."

From the funds obtained from the Student Activities Fee (the \$2.00 paid by the students along with their tuition each year) the Student Council is authorized to pay for speakers and entertainments sponsored by them. Mr. Wallace said he would prefer to speak to the students gratis and went on to explain, "I ventured into politics this fall and found that every time I opened my mouth it cost me \$25, \$30, or \$40. It is, therefore, a pleasure to talk here without it's costing me a cent."

"Why do people decide to study law and become lawyers anyway? I don't think I had any particular or definite reason when I went into it. I don't think I knew many lawyers. I knew some boys in school who were going to law school, but that certainly could be no particular incentive for my decision. It seems to me that it does not take a person of a definite type to be a lawyer, to study law, or to succeed at law. It seems that a man who has the temperament, industry, and ability to be a good business man, engineer, or accountant would succeed equally at law if he wished

to do so. The public generally has the idea a lawyer is someone who stands up and sways a witness, or makes a jury break down in tears, but we all know that is not what a lawyer really is or should be."

Before entering Harvard Law School, Mr. Wallace met a young chap, a happy-go-lucky type of fellow, on the street who told him that he, too, was going to Harvard. They arranged to meet at the school on registration day and try to get rooms together. Dudley Wallace arrived at school, registered and finally rented his room, without running into his friend. About a week later he met the chap on the campus and asked him what had happened to him. The fellow replied, "Well, I got up there to register. There were about 150 in line ahead of me, so I went over to the School of Architecture and registered there." That same chap graduated from the architectural school and is a noted architect now.

Speaking of the advantage a retentive mind is to a law student or lawyer, Mr. Wallace mentioned the remarkable mind of Roscoe Pound, Dean of Harvard Law School. He has a mind which enables him to open a book, read two pages and remember everything on them.

Upon graduating from law school in 1925, Mr. Wallace came out with a great awe for law, judges, and other lawyers older than he, and with great respect for the Board of Examiners. He proceeded to study arduously for law exams, and received a slip in the mail in due course saying he had passed. His first disillusionment came when he saw in the newspapers about two months later that there seemed to be a little concern among the board examiners because someone had stolen papers and had been selling them about Pemberton Square Court House. As a result, all of those who had recently passed the bar exams, had to take them a

second time. Needless to say, Mr. Wallace was very much on edge until he got the report that he had passed his second attempt at the exams, because not to pass the second time, after passing the first, under these circumstances would be almost self-incriminating.

Before very long, Mr. Wallace apparently found the right nook in an office which he shared with two other attorneys; that is, drawing wills. For six months he drew wills and he claims that his grey hairs can be attributed to that. He said he had testators coming in of all sizes and shapes. He claims to have the honor of being the only person bitten by a dog when witnessing a will. He could not complain, because the owner of the dog happened to be a wealthy client. He told of the trouble he had in drawing a satisfactory will for a husband and wife who came in, desiring to leave all to each other. Each would return alone and request that some change be made in the will unbeknown to the other. It was considerable time before the will was finally drawn to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Like most of us, Mr. Wallace has a pet peeve, the subject of which is the matter of obsolete theories and rules in law, particularly criminal law, which block justice. Mr. Wallace said, "It is my belief that unless the legislature provides a thorough revision of law, especially criminal, the people of the State will demand that such a revision be made. I have heard throughout the State, with surprising frequency, members of the bench and bar express a devotion to out-worn theories which do not add anything, but which thwart justice. It really amounts to a worshipping at a shrine long since devoid of meaning and usefulness. You students can assist greatly in bringing about needed changes. In many cases the legislature fails to pass bills obviously intended to remedy these conditions. The public in general has little or no conception of the uncertainties of enforcement of criminal law."

Leaving the subject of his pet peeve

momentarily and getting back to the humorous side of the law, Mr. Wallace said that in the law, as in all trades, there is trickery which is permissible. Judge Seabury, the man in charge of investigation at the time of Mayor James J. Walker's resignation, in response to a query as to tricks which he might use in court, said he particularly liked to get in an involved business case with a lot of correspondence. He claims there is nothing more unreliable than the memory of an honest business man. Although that man can be absolutely sure some fact is so, you can always get him to hedge on it by cross-examination. His procedure to produce this hedging would be something like this. "From the raft of correspondence, pick out a letter at random. Look at it—but don't show it to him. Then ask him 'You said such and such was the fact, didn't you?' 'Yes, I did.' 'Are you absolutely sure about that?'" That trick has often been successful.

Another trick that is almost universally resorted to by the honorable men of the bar is to make believe they don't hear when a witness says something in their favor. The lawyer says, "What?" in a fairly loud voice so that the jury will all take notice of what was said.

Lawyers in trying to substantiate their case often "put their foot in it." A lawyer in the city took the jury out on a view. The lawyer was representing the city in an action by a man who was injured by reason of a grating on a sidewalk giving way under his weight. The procession to the scene of the accident was most imposing with the two sheriffs with their pointed poles, one heading and the other bringing up in the rear of the jury. The lawyer for the defense vehemently denied that the sidewalk grating was in such poor condition that it collapsed. He requested that the foreman of the jury step on it to prove how fallacious the plaintiff's statements were. The foreman stepped and thereupon fell right through the supposedly faultless grating.

# Fraternity Sponsors Bowling

"Timber!" is the warning yell of the rough north-woodsman as he fells a towering pine.

"Strike!" shrieks the excited P.T.K. bowler as the maples topple to earth. All eyes sparkle with admiration and voices sound approval.

Every Thursday night from 9:15 until 11:00 the fraternity brothers perform their wood-cutting at the Y.M.C.A. bowling alleys. "Bosses" of the gang are Stewart McClenaghan, statistician, Ernest Swanson, treasurer, and Karl Vester and Ernest Carlson, team captains. Thirty four men have reported for bowling since the first of October with an average of fourteen on hand each Thursday.

No one claims professional honors—just plain bowlers who enjoy the sport. So far the highest single string of 115 is held by Stewart McClenaghan who nosed ahead of both Karl Vester and David Tilden on 107 position. Among the five highest

ranking bowlers are Stewart McClenaghan, Winston Larson, Karl Vester, Ernest Swanson, and George Knight.

Pi Tau Kappa won a weak victory over the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity last December 22. A return match is scheduled for February 16 in which both teams will be competitively matched. The girls of Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority invaded the "Y" alleys on February 2 and after an exciting contest they bowed to the P.T.K. bowlers. A warm reception is being planned for the faculty team who will be invited to bowl soon.

After the season's work is over the Pi Tau Kappa bowlers will hold a victory banquet. Prizes for highest season's average, highest single string, and lowest season's average will be the rewards for the winners. Good sportsmanship and good fellowship are the ideals of Pi Tau Kappa.

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## CLASS SEES FILM

Dr. Luther Anderson's class in Business Management had the unusual experience on January 10, of witnessing a talking motion picture in their own classroom, B-5. The film, entitled "Weather Permitting" was sponsored by the B. F. Goodrich Corporation, and was obtained from Mr. Frank T. Reardon, of Boston, Sales Promotion Manager of the Goodrich Company.

Mr. W. J. McFadden, assistant sales manager, who brought the film from Boston and operated the apparatus himself, has shown the picture to Rotary Clubs, Kiwanis Clubs, and many other organizations throughout the East.

John Kane '44, a member of Dr. Anderson's class, in co-operation with Mr. Charles E. Mahoney, district salesman of the Goodrich Company, made the arrangements for the showing of the picture.

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## HEARTS AND TEA

Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority had a valentine party Saturday, February 11, at the Hotel Worthy. The committee in charge was composed of Frances Bryant '40 and Elizabeth Gryzberg '40.

Mary Coulter '39 gave a tea for the sorority at her home on Bristol Street, January 22.

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## IT'S A COLD WINTER

It is noted that Springfield Northeastern is preparing itself to be strictly a woman's institution for learning. At least this can be inferred from the temperature of the class rooms. As everybody knows, women are architecturally built to stand cold better than men. (And even the women are wearing their coats in rooms A4 and B4.)



# Skiing Is My Hobby

By Gordon Chandler '44

Everyone who has overcome the high mortality rate which the first year at Northeastern produces realizes the terrific amount of study which goes into every course. The so-called "snap" course of many colleges is as extinct as that famous Dodo bird who died some centuries ago.

Still we all need some recreation. No sane person is going to cram every minute of his existence. Tired nerves and minds must have some relief whether in wood-working, stamp collecting, or just being a jitterbug.



UP THE TRAIL

(Photo by Chandler '44)

My thought here is to justify these sports, hobbies or what have you. This should give me more peace of mind when I start skiing next Sunday.

Skiing! You're up and away on those crisp winter Sundays, breath curling like the smoke from the granddaddy of all pipes. You start off up the mountain blinded by the glittering beauty of the trees banked with the white of the new fallen snow. The powder snow swirling in the breeze drifts from beneath caulked boots. At the top you drop panting—monarch of

all you survey.

Below in the valley, people still sleep; here you commune silently with your soul.

Then with a fresh coating of graphite on skis, a quick check of bindings, you are off. A quick twist of the shoulders and the first turn is negotiated. With even tempo you swing further down the trail gathering speed. Down the last shuss and across the small bridge, the skis brake to a quick stop. Down the mile and a half in less than three minutes!

Then, off to the ski hut for dinner shared with comrades gathered around the friendly fire. A "Ski Heil" and off again on another two-hour climb, those 80-inch hickories and Kandahars over a tired shoulder. One more glorious run before dusk completes a perfect day. And so home to bed with that tired feeling of well being.

There is but one flaw. Six hours of studying left undone and one of those "beastly" exams on Monday.

## Attorney Wallace Weds

Of particular interest to those students who heard the recent speech under the sponsorship of the Student Council was the wedding Friday morning, January 27, of Attorney Dudley B. Wallace to Miss Sara Neilly, of Towson, Baltimore, Maryland.

The ceremony which was held at the Wallace home was performed by Rev. Dr.

Owen Whitman Eames, pastor of the Church of the Unity. Members of the two families witnessed the ceremony. The bride wore a traveling costume of blue wool with an orchid corsage. The best man was Andrew B. Wallace, III, cousin of the groom.

The couple will reside in Springfield where Mr. Wallace is well known and has an established law practice.

# Middlebury Lands In Jail

By A. Martha Davis '42

Dear Eloise,

This is going forward under same cover by special delivery and it is a sincere hope you will return by same without delay and \$15.00 because your husband, Middlebury, is in serious trouble and incarcerated. Please continue to read and rescue me before becoming incensed and aroused and deciding to leave me in my trouble which I do not like and explanation follows.

It is a disappointment to me that I have succeeded this evening in bringing disgrace and discomfort after many unsuccessful attempts upon my head and to the name of Smith which has heretofore been untarnished and unrecorded, when it was my intention instead to add honor and satisfaction to it and would have done latter had I not been lost. As you know I was started on my way in time to reach West Sumburg before the hour of my scheduled speech on Why At This Time It Is A Self Evident Fact That Ex-Mayor Shoehorn Would Improve Conditions of West Sumburg for Citizens of Same if Revested in Title of Mayor. You will notice that the name of my speech was changed at the last minute by a committee of which I am a member of one from the suggested title Elect ExMayor Shoehorn. Change was decided in order to attract attention thru one unphonious and easily remembered.

After you saw me started correctly for the last time after several returns to our domicile for copy of speech, handkerchief, gloves and car keys all went well for two miles when your speaker, your writer, and your husband, one Middlebury Smith, met a man with bananas who wanted a ride having sold his push cart and not having other means of transporting bananas home which I gladly agreed to do being a fellow supporter of ExMayor and would-be-Mayor Shoehorn, who is himself at all times ready to lend a helping hand. I did above mentioned. This banana man lives fourteen miles east of Sumburg which is twenty-six miles from West Sumburg, so he was very considerate on learning of my proposed whereabouts in fifteen minutes upon arrival via him, and was kind in assisting me in returning to my route by means of a shortcut which was cut short somewhere in the country and never went anywhere but into the mud up to the hubs of the car and the middle of me who extricated with difficulty and absorbing much of the mud. Which was bad enough but I was unfortunate further in losing my glasses without which I am not privileged to drive, thereupon becoming a criminal for I proceeded to do same because of my duty to my candidate being stronger in estimate than my duty to my countryside and the lives and safety of the public for which I am regretful now and admit with reluctance and chagrin that my choice was erroneous.

Three hours after scheduled arrival and arrived. My state was much bedraggled and due to loss of glasses not clearly visioned. Upon presenting myself at hall with many explanations that I was expected I was ushered into Policeman's Ball instead of ExMayor's Public Gathering which was at the hall around the corner, and misinterpreting audience, I began speech to quiet them down and assure them better late than never, only to be rudely rushed from building by officers in and out of uniforms before succeeding in getting more than one knee and two elbows upon platform and ending up in Town Jail which they inform me I would rather be out of could I see where I am.

I have before me pencil and paper and write hurriedly and perhaps blindly but such I am and cannot telephone to you since my last ten cents is spent in purchasing special delivery stamp to hurry this to you because I cannot in my upset condition remember our telephone number and cannot see well enough to discover same in directory.

I am much abashed but none the less your,

Impatient and affectionate husband

Middlebury Smith.

# Student Council Page

## Council Committees

Student Council committees are doing splendid work.

The Lecture Committee, headed by Elizabeth Easson, has secured Attorney Dudley Wallace and Dean Russell Whitney to give the January and February lectures.

The Placement Committee, under Donald Graves, is working on a plan for better placement service for Northeastern students.

John Gaffney, with his committee, is organizing the various classes.

Nor'easter, the University magazine, directed by Martha Davis, editor-in-chief, her Student Council Committee, the Nor'easter staff, and Mr. C. I. Chatto, faculty adviser, is publishing more issues this year than ever before.

The Council is already laying plans for the dinner-dance on April 15 at Hotel Kimball. Watch for further news.

## Placement Service

There is a definite need today for the man of ability and training. Northeastern is helping you to fill that need. But, no matter how good the man is, if his qualifications are unknown he is probably on the WPA.

Northeastern has been successful in placing her men. We want that success to continue. Your student council committee, therefore, has studied, discussed, rejected, and revised many ideas in an effort to make the placement work even more successful.

A plan has been devised. It is not a stop-gap, but a practical, business-like procedure to place the right man in the right job. Only in the right job can one do himself justice and advance with confidence and pride.

We are not going into detail on the plan at this time—but watch and listen!

Donald Graves, Chairman,  
Placement Committee.

## Needed Changes

In recent issues Nor'easter has published articles about the lighting system. The whole school is now light-conscious. Even one of our instructors finds it better to turn off half of the lights in B-5 to avoid glare.

Not only do the lights bother us—all of us, but we are extremely crowded. One can hardly pass safely out of the building at 9:00 p. m. Many students wait for congestion to end before venturing forth. Not only that, but many of us boys want to chat a while after class. We have to wait until the lobby and the corridor along the bookstore and cloak room are clear, and then perhaps we have just missed our friends.

We need a large room, conveniently located, to serve as a meeting place. A piano in the corner could limber up someone's fingers. Comfortable seats would invite conversation, sociability, good talk.

In short, we lack space, we have poor lights, we have no place to lounge except in corridors, no place to sit except on the stairs, no place to meet except in classrooms. Something ought to be done about it. It's really up to us. Speak up!

David E. Tilden, President.

## Outdoor Club

I have found as an undercurrent in our lives here at Northeastern an enthusiasm for outdoor activity. Every student whom I have questioned has expressed favorable opinions. The burning question is: What sort of club shall be formed? A Sportsman's Club? A Rod and Gun Club? Some other type of club?

All students inclined to favor such a plan should give their names either to me or to Mr. Blodgett, who will pass them on to me. If we get a suitable response, the Student Council will back the formation of an Outdoor Club.

David E. Tilden, President.

# "Belated Threshold"

## An Autobiography

Dad didn't go to his job in the mill that fourth day of October in 1909. Early that morning his lovely bride of two years had presented him with a baby boy—his first born. As the new arrival took in his surroundings and howled his dissatisfaction, he presented a somewhat discouraging picture. His lobster-red face screwed into a more or less simian grimace and the rest of his undraped anatomy (I've become more modest since) resembling an undernourished prune, he must have been a disappointing sight to poor Dad. Nevertheless, he went back to his job, next day and every day thereafter. His nose at the wheel he struggled to give this boy and the three that followed a little more than the bare necessities of life. How well or how poorly he might have succeeded must be left unanswered for he died when I was ten.

My early years were very much like any boy's. I laughed and cried, ran and fell, fought, usually unsuccessfully, with the neighbors' kids, fell in love with a cute little trick about eight years old with long yellow curls, and hated school. That just about covered the major activities of the respectable brat of twenty years ago. Oh, we smoked a little cornsilk and wrote on sidewalks now and then. The only cloud on our horizon was in the person of old man Moore, the truant officer. I smile now as I look back at that trouble-free kid. I remember the big straw hat and the sailor suit and patent-leather shoes with buttons. In this Fauntleroy style I would warily take my younger brother to Sunday school. My most reverent prayers were that I might get back home before the gang saw me.

I was ten years old when my father died. At that time, neither the seriousness of its effect on the present nor the bitterness it would spill over the next twenty years of our lives occurred to me.

The next few years would make good copy for an insurance salesman. Mother

worked hard and late, gave her youth, yes her whole life to bringing her four boys into manhood. Though at times the obstacles seemed insurmountable the presence of the grandest mother that God ever let breathe made the winning a certainty. As I grew into a stringy awkward boy, responsibility, at first gentle and then more heavy, pressed itself upon me. There were papers to be delivered, eggs to be sold, lawns to be mowed. Sidewalks that once I drew pictures on, now I shovelled. The compassionate neighbors allowed me to scrub their floors or porches for twenty or thirty cents. Instead of going to Sunday school, I went to church—to pump the bellows for the old pipe organ.

To have a load of things to be done after school when the rest of the fellows were going to play football seemed rather an injustice at the time. Now, the only sadness I feel as I look back is that those who might have helped so much by doing so little turned and walked away.

Fourteen came and I left school to take my first real job. I was eager to meet this new life, to fight my way up in this busy world, and this my first job, was to be my first step. How little I knew. That first job, that I looked forward to with all the zest of an ambitious kid of fourteen, murdered my ambition. Destroyed it so completely that the next eight years of my life had not an ambitious thought in them. I hunched over an accursed drill press in a filthy machine shop for nine hours a day chamfering the burrs off thousands of drilled pieces. Every inch of my back throbbed with pain; the rough burrs made sticky, bleeding things of my fingers.

I had to work so fast that carefulness was impossible; my hands are still covered with scars from that spinning drill. For this bit of endeavor I received \$10.40 weekly with Saturday afternoon and Sunday off to cry. Oh, I know boys of fourteen aren't supposed to cry; but I cried,



long and hard, for weeks. I hope industry will someday see the sad results of inflicting these spirit-killing jobs on mere children who have yet to build the bridges of youth.

Time slouched along, and I slouched along with it. Jobs melted into other jobs and life became a monotonous work-and-play routine. About all I did from the time I reached 18 till I was 21 was chase girls. Of course that isn't an unusual pursuit for adolescent youth, but I think I overdid it.

I don't know how it came about, probably a matrimonial thought in the direction of some bundle of charm, beauty and deceit, but about this time I became aware of my position in life's pattern. I saw for the first time the sheer dark cliffs that had risen all about me. The mire of economic obscurity held me rutted in a path that I knew led a circuitous route. Oh, I was no different from thousands of others I knew; but, to me, to live a day-to-day existence, chained to a miserably insignificant job, never to see the green pasture and fertile fields of the sunlit valley beyond the top of those gray walls, was not to live at all.

I started my own business, tried to make a better mousetrap. But it must have been time out, for the world beat no path to my door. I found that your mousetrap must not only be better, it must be cheaper. I found that other equally earnest folks were making good mousetraps. Five long years I struggled to draw an accurate line between operating costs and quality and finally chucked it. Two things I took with me from that venture; the first was a forehead that ran half way to my crown, the second was a conviction that it took more than hard work to climb the ladder of achievement.

I went back to work in a large manufacturing plant determined to do my job as well as it could be done, to learn everything I could about the type of work I was to do. Eight months rolled by; I felt that I was moving, slowly to be sure, but still moving. I was interested in my work and doing it well, but to the powers I was

just a number and I was laid off with hundreds more.

I had attempted to climb those steep walls with nothing but the will to do for scaling tools and for the second time I had been thrown back. At twenty-seven years old, the age when a fellow's feet should be well planted in his life work, when he should begin to mold himself into his community and build the bulwarks that make for a full and happy life, I stood throttled. Discouragement sat upon me like a laughing ghoul. My future simply wasn't; I was afraid to think of the future with its periodic employment and futile struggle for security.

That was eighteen months ago; today my head is high and I see the path ahead for miles clear in bright sunshine of confidence. I have a job with fine prospects. Friendly hands reach down to me and here and there I find the path has been straightened a little. The fear of future and its struggle has fallen from my shoulder like a decaying garment and I stand at twenty nine looking down that sunlit valley confident that those fertile fields will yield to me the things I need to make my life a full one.

Thank you, Northeastern, for it was your influence that plucked me from that hole of despair. A year with men like Mr. Churchill and Mr. Jones instilled in me a true sense of my own worth and capabilities. This year I have felt that every hour spent within your walls was worth thrice what it cost me in time and effort. I look forward to many happy fruitful years with you at my side. Together we'll plow those fertile fields.

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## Thanks To Mr. Howe

Mr. Howe, the instructor in the Business Planning and Research course is giving his copies of the Wall Street Journal to our school library. Thank you, Mr. Howe. We appreciate the gift and the thought that prompted it.

## "Turn On The Heat"

By Mary K. Foley '42

"Turn on the Heat", a song popular not so many years ago, should be adopted as the new theme song for the students of Northeastern University, particularly those assigned to rooms A-4 and B-4. For weeks now the girls attending classes in those rooms have been wearing their fur coats and even the men, who are usually strenuous in their demands for more air, have been heard to complain of the chilly atmosphere. Needless to say, wearing coats indoors and then, after two and a quarter hours, going out of doors is a sure way to defeat the old motto that "An apple a day keeps the doctor away."

Northeastern students generally have no kick coming on the service rendered them by the janitor. The building is always clean and he perhaps gives them all the heat that he can run up. You see, boilers are no different from any other piece of equipment; they may be defective or they may be just plain out-worn. There seems to be no logical reason why the janitor should want to freeze out the students in certain sections of the buildings and keep all the others comfortable. Therefore, the difficulty is one which is probably mechanical and would bear investigation.

For the health and good will of all concerned we would suggest that an investigation be made to determine the capabilities of the present heating equipment and to determine wherein it fails to perform the service which should be expected of it.

Another point of contention among the students is the poor lighting facilities afforded in the classrooms. The distribution of light in the rooms is so poor that some students can barely see to write while others have a constant glare on their text and note books.

Not being an electrician, I can't endeavor to tell you the remedy for the situation. However, from the point of view of a casual observer and occasional kicker, I would say that the lights are too high, too

## Hello, Mr. Whitney!

The second speaker on the Student Council lecture program is a man whom every Northeastern student should know. During the years from July 1929 to July 1935, he was a familiar figure in Springfield Northeastern where he served as associate-director. Since 1935 Boston has been his headquarters as he was promoted to dean of the School of Business. Now his duties take him from Boston to Providence, to Worcester, and to Springfield. The man is Mr. Russell Whitney.

He has cordially accepted the invitation to speak on Friday, February 24 in room B 5. The subject "Education, Democracy, and Tomorrow" has been chosen by Mr. Whitney himself as a medium to express his thoughts on today's problems of University students. Those who have heard him speak know him as refreshingly human and interesting.

Each student is invited to attend the February 24 meeting, introduce himself to the speaker, and be able to say, "Hello, Mr. Whitney."

Ernest Swanson.

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far away from the occupants of the room to be of any benefit to them. They are the old-fashioned type of electric light; whereas, they should be the latest type which give a maximum of light with a minimum of glare.

As was suggested in an article during this past school year, if the rooms were repainted in a shade restful to the eyes, it would probably go a long way toward the eradication of the discomfiture.

May we recall to your memory the fact stated in the December issue that Northeastern University, Worcester Division, has a brand new building in which has been installed the most modern of heating, lighting and ventilating equipment. It is too much to ask that we have defective and inadequate heating and lighting facilities repaired or replaced?

## Campfire

By Ernest Swanson '39

Of the many happy memories of a camping trip, I remember longest the warm, red glow of the campfire. With what infinite care I choose the setting for this ruddy jewel—a large grove of tall green pines at whose feet spreads nature's soft, fragrant carpet—a winding brook, babbling noisily over a rocky bed—a cool velvety dusk, with only the twitter of robins breaking the stillness.

First I clear a small circle in the soft needles and edge it with a horseshoe of flat stones. Then I gather a large armful of dead pine branches which I break into lengths and throw into a pile. Before lighting the fire, I select a handful of dry twigs and lay them loosely in the center of my fireplace. How eagerly the tiny tongues of flames dart heavenward, gaining strength as I feed them with my pile of kindling. A circle of gaunt shadows begin a swaying dance as the flames shoot higher. The fire is bright and cheerful in the growing blackness of night.

As I sit cross-legged and stare into the restless flames, the image of a hairy primeval man appears. He is shivering in the pale winter sunlight shining at the entrance of a dark cold cave. He looks so miserable and depressed that I pity him. Now he moves slowly toward the cave. He stubs his toe on a sharp stone and in a rage he picks it up and throws it at the wall of the cave. The stone breaks into bits. I rub my eyes and look into the flames again. A thin thread of smoke was curling lazily from a pile of dry sticks and leaves near the cave. The smoke grew thick and suddenly a tongue of flame burst through the debris. The caveman had made himself a fire!! Why didn't he come out of his cave and care for it? It was growing larger and larger and was beginning to spread to the surrounding forest! Where is he? The acrid smoke clouded the sun, it blackened the sky. I found myself in darkness blinking at the dying embers of my campfire.

## Fisher Hits C. P. A.

A rather remarkable accomplishment for an undergraduate was achieved by Stanley Fisher '40, in passing successfully two of the three parts of the C. P. A. examination given last fall.

He was recently notified that he had passed the Law and the Auditing parts of the examination. He has now only the section on practical accounting to complete.

Mr. Fisher is a student in the Law and Business curriculum. He is a graduate of the High School of Commerce, Springfield, in the class of 1930, and is employed as a bookkeeper by the Witkin Provision Company of Springfield.

## In Defense of Day Dreams

By Leon Chapin '39

How easy it is amid the ordinary tasks of the day to permit one's mind to wander along golden pathways. How easy it is, having started an accounting assignment with perfectly good intentions, to recover one's senses and find the bricks of an "air castle" toppling about. Whether or not there is any vindication for this aimless wandering has yet to be proved.

How wonderful it is, right smack in the middle of a tedious Corporation Finance assignment, to lean back in your chair and gaze off into space with that important preoccupied air. In the land of day-dreams a fellow can finish his homework with a snap of his fingers. It is possible to do no end of difficult tasks. You can win athletic letters galore, make enviable scholarship records, and sway the pretty coeds over to your way of thinking. You experience the glory of being carried off the football field on your classmate's shoulders, or of having the Dean call you down front at the conclusion of chapel some morning. What for? you say. Why, to congratulate you and give you a medal for scholastic attainment—and before the whole student body no less. But the best reverie of all is walking around the campus with the cutest

girl in the whole university. Boy, that's day-dreaming.

Wasting time is he? Spending valuable hours idly and puttering away youth and opportunity? How is an ordinary fellow to experience any of these coveted honors unless he day-dreams? Does it not give him something to work for, this knowledge of the reward. A chap has to have a legitimate alibi for occasional failures, and what better excuse for failure than a visionary accomplishment. It bolsters up the spirits if not the term mark.

To be sure, disastrous things have been known to happen while some dejected spirit was securing enviable solace amid a traffic jam. Perhaps some trusting wage-earner has returned home at night to find his wife and housekeeper blankly gazing over clothes lines to some airy country thousands of miles away, and no dinner ready. But who can say what innumerable down trodden people are lighted back to the roadway by their dreams. Courage, too, comes from periodical respite. It is a chance to get relief from buffeting with the world's problems.

In defense of day-dreaming let us say that there is no sunnier land in which to spend a vacation, without spending money. There is no theater more enjoyable than the theater of reverie with the performances playing whenever, wherever, and whatever one choses. It gives one solace without outside interference. Who is better company after all than one's own ambitions, aspirations, limitations, and accomplishments?

### FRATERNITY PROGRAM

Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, Delta Chapter, announces the following program for the remainder of the college year:

March 18, 1939—Board of Governors' Visitation

April 18, 1939—Patriots' Day Dance

May 6, 1939—ANNUAL COMPETITION, Worcester

June 3, 1939—Annual Meeting

June 17, 1939—Annual Picnic.

## Trade Mark

By John F. Moynihan '39

"Let him who is without sin cast the first stone" is an admonition that if now heeded would put an end to this article immediately. And that will never do! So with quivering quill resulting from fear of digging one's own grave with a pen, we are calling to your attention something that tends to disparage us as college students. We mean careless grammatical construction, especially in speech.

How many times have we heard and used such grammatically incorrect expressions as, "he don't," "there's two," "from who," "everybody . . . their," in corridor conversation? Yes, they are misdemeanors, errors attributed to carelessness because we certainly know of their incorrectness. But here's the rub! From corridor to corner drug-store and into business creep these elementary failings of ours with the above-mentioned disparagement. What do I mean? It is just this.

No matter what spa of education we may have chosen in our attempt to satisfy the thirst for knowledge, an erudite citizenry expects that because we have had the opportunity, we have drunk well. In other words, we who have been exposed to higher education are constantly being appraised by our associates on the grammatical construction of our speech. What we say is of more or less importance, but how we say it seems to be the criterion on which the public differentiates between college education and college attendance. Thus, we can see that even in matters of speech, eternal vigilance, to use a stock phrase, is decidedly necessary.

We suppose there are many errors of construction other than those cited which should be corrected. But since you no doubt, are aware of your "slips" and we probably, of ours, enumeration is needless. If you are not among the offenders, then pray that we, who are, "mend our ways."



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## Seven Win Commencement Appointments

On March 25 announcement was made of the selection of seven students from the class of 1939 for the Northeastern provisional commencement appointments. Based primarily on scholarship, these honors have been earned by one student in the school of law: W. Edwin Watkins, and six in the school of business administration: Deane S. Clark, Edward R. Dupuis, Robert D. Gourlie, Stanley C. Mathison, Philip H. Porter, and Ernest C. Swanson.

Deane S. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Clark, lives at 8 Pleasant Street, East Longmeadow. He is employed in that town as a bookkeeper at the Community Feed Stores, Inc. He graduated from Classical High School and attended American International College for one year. Mr. Clark's name has been on the dean's list for the last four years. He is a member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, being a member of the degree team in 1938 and treasurer of the fraternity for the academic year 1938-39. The same year he was a member of the student council and is now a member of the banquet committee of the class of 1939. He is a candidate for the degree of bachelor of business administration in accounting.

Edward R. Dupuis is married, lives at 45 Algonquin Street, Chicopee, and is treasurer of the Ames Plating Corporation, Chicopee. Mr. Dupuis took his secondary school work at the Chicopee evening high school. He is a member of the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity and was president of his class during the year 1935-6. He is a candidate for the degree of bachelor of business administration in accounting.

Robert D. Gourlie, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Gourlie, resides at 993 Enfield Street, Thompsonville, Connecticut, and is employed in the auditing department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. At the Enfield high school, from which he graduated, he

stood second in his class. At Northeastern, he has been on the dean's list every year. In June, 1937, he was the recipient of the scholarship award given annually by the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity for academic excellence. He has been active in student affairs, being a member of the student council for the academic year 1937-38, a member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, and on its board of governors for the past three years. Mr. Gourlie is a member of the Enfield Speakers' club. He is a candidate for the degree of bachelor of business administration in accounting.

The single candidate from the school of law is W. Edwin Watkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Watkins of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. Watkins is married and lives at 46 Harkness Avenue, this city. He is treasurer and manager of Melody Phonograph, Inc. Standing in the upper quarter of his class, he graduated from Central high school, Lima, Ohio. Here at school he has been active in student affairs, having been a member of the student council for the past four years. He served on the annual banquet committee in 1936. He is a member of the gift committee of the class of 1939 and of the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity.

Stanley C. Mathison, son of Mrs. Grace R. Mathison of Longmeadow, is married and living at 96 Marlborough Street, this city. He is connected with the credit and collection department of the Converse-Carlisle Coal company. A graduate of Technical high school, Mr. Mathison has taken courses offered by the American Institute of Banking. He is a member of the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity and the student council for the current year. He is a candidate for the degree of bachelor of business administration in management and his name has appeared on the dean's list for the past three years.

Philip H. Porter, a candidate for the  
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## Capt. House Lectures On Gun-Making

By Mary K. Foley '42

In a most interesting and instructive lecture, the March event in the Student Council series, Captain William House said that to most civilians the army seemed to consist of an organized group of men with guns, flags and money to meet sooner or later other such organized bands. He explained that the army actually was composed of a number of departments. For every man actively engaged in the front lines, eight others are employed in supplying his needs.

The arms department is the combat department; that branch which actually meets the foe in battle. In this department are listed the well known divisions of the United States Army: the infantry, field artillery, coast artillery, cavalry, and so forth. The service department must supply the combat troops with articles they need for food, etc. The very name of Medical Department is indicative of its duty. The Ordinance department, with which Captain House is connected in Springfield, supplies to each branch of the service the type of weapon and ammunition most suitable for use along its line of duty. For the purpose of illustration, he explained that to the coast artillery they supplied coast arms, weapons especially designed to be most effective as barriers to invading enemies attacking our shores. The supplies go not only to posts in this country proper, but to the troops in Panama, the Philippines and Alaska. In addition to our own armories on State Street and at the Watershops, Captain House mentioned various arsenals throughout the country, such as Watertown, Watervliet, Rock Island, Davenport.

The Springfield Armories are small arms factories, not arsenals. The very word armory applies to the manufacture of small arms. Delving back into Springfield history, Captain House said that during the revolution there was no such thing as an armory. New England had a number

of gun smiths who made complete weapons by hand. As time went on, two or three would combine their efforts. During the revolution the armory here turned out weapons as fast as possible. About 1777 there was a powder mill at the corner of Pine and Mill Streets and in 1795 this became the first of the armories, known as the Watershops. Due to economic reverses during the early government of this country, we had difficulty in maintaining our armory, but in 1794, Congress, convinced of the necessity of definite armories, established this armory and three more. Harper's Ferry was established at the same time and became famous as the scene of the attack of John Brown. The Springfield armory developed designs, improved them and insisted that they be filed. Captain House traced the history of the Springfield Armory down to the present day.

The Springfield Armory is primarily responsible for the establishment of interchangeability of parts. It was necessary that we have our weapons so constructed that in the event of becoming broken, the part could be taken out of stock and sent out to be fitted to the gun in the field. While some independent manufacturers are responsible for the manufacture of some special parts of the weapons, almost every part is started in the armory. The function of an armory is the manufacture of rifles, pistols, and so on, to provide a nucleus for expansion in time of war.

Captain House brought with him a most interesting exhibit of guns, from the very old to the new. The first real gun was the Flint-Lock. The early Springfield musket was known as the Charleville musket and was copied from the French musket. The rifles developed later were a definite improvement on the muskets, but they needed two more things; namely, breech loading and metallic cartridge cases,

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# Five Graduates Pass Bar Exams

By Mary K. Foley '42

Eight residents from Hampden county and two from Hampshire county are among the applicants to be recommended for admission to the Massachusetts bar on April 13, 1939. The examination was taken last December 30 by 428 applicants. Only 40.1 per cent of this number are recommended, in which number is listed five Northeastern graduates from the Springfield Division. The fortunate alumni are William J. Bailey, 31 Elm Street; Raymond L. Burati, 61 Westford Circle; Louis W. Caporale, Jr., 72 Broad Street; Harry Levine, 44 Hollywood Street; and Edward H. Kane, 13 Bristol Street, Ludlow.

William J. Bailey, who graduated in the class of 1936, received such a high rating on his written examination that the board of examiners waived the necessity of taking an oral examination in his case.

Mr. Bailey graduated from the High School of Commerce in June, 1930. Since graduating from high school Mr. Bailey has been employed in the law offices of P. E. Granfield. He intends to continue his association with Mr. Granfield.

Raymond L. Burati, graduate of 1937, graduated from the High School of Commerce in the class of June, 1930, also. At the present time Harry Levine is associated with the credit bureau of the Star Clothing Company at 1223 Main Street. Louis Caporale is located with his brother Philip at 1214 Main Street. Edward H. Kane is none other than Judge Kane of Ludlow.

With the percentage of survivors so comparatively low, Northeastern is to be congratulated on its number of successful representatives. It is interesting to note that of the 428 who took the examinations, adverse reports were made in 256 cases.

## Capt. House

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and until we had the latter, the first amounted to nothing. The first breech loading gun of value was the Prussian Needle gun. The Prussians won the war of 1870 against the French because that gun had a higher rate of fire. They were the first military weapons to have a bolt action. The magazine gun, a later development, provided space so that extra or reserve cartridges could be inserted.

The Springfield rifle, as we know it, is one of the best bolt action rifles in the world. This type is now the military shoulder arm. However, it is not fast enough and is too heavy. With the modern automatic rifle faster shooting is made possible. When the bolt is opened the entire clip of cartridges is placed in the chamber. Each time the trigger is pulled a shot is fired. When the last is fired, the empty case is thrown out. The Garrand rifle, 30 calibre, the latest development,

was designed in our own armory. It compares favorably with anything any of the other countries have to offer. An interesting fact disclosed by Captain House is that the life of any weapon depends upon the rapidity of fire; that is, how fast it is shot, and the amount of powder put into it. Questioned relative to the rapidity with which the latest development in military weapons could be furnished to our standing army, Captain House stated that that all depended upon the amount of money allotted to the armories by the U. S. government for the manufacture of weapons and ammunition. Based upon the old, antiquated machinery now in use in parts of our armory, he declared that the output would be necessarily slow, some of the machinery being over 100 years old.

Following his talk, Captain House very courteously answered questions put to him by his audience. Refreshments were served following the lecture.



# Gaffney Transfers To Worcester



**GAFFNEY**

Rhode Island.

He has been employed in the Springfield office since his graduation from the

John Gaffney '42 has been transferred by his employers, the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, to the Worcester office of the company, where he will take over a sales assignment after a preliminary period of training at the company training school at Providence,

High School of Commerce. For the past two years he has been senior teller in the coin box department, which is the headquarters for the Western Division of the Company.

Gaffney has been prominent in extracurricular activities at Springfield Northeastern. During his freshman year he was a valuable member of the Nor'easter staff, and has been during the present year chairman of the Student Council committee in charge of class organizations.

He plans to continue his studies at the Worcester Division of Northeastern University.

## A Breezy Experience

By E. R. Schott '44

Often while gazing skyward and watching rays of the sun glitter in reflection from an airplane soaring on the breeze, I longed to answer the questions: "Why does a bird enjoy flying?", "How does it feel to ride on the wind?", "What does the world look like from the air?"

Last spring on one breezy and sunshiny day I answered these questions.

At Springfield airport I stood watching planes take off and descend. Eventually I stirred myself to ask Captain Harry Herman, manager of the airport, for a ride. In reply he secured a helmet and goggles for me and tossed them into my hands.

As I pulled the unfamiliar leather object over my ears and pressed it to make it conform to the shape of my head, my heart beat double time—not from fear, but from eager anticipation. The ride was to be a new and exciting experience.

Unhesitatingly I followed Captain Herman across the field to a silver and blue colored, open-cockpit bi-plane. This plane, which was about ten years old, at first glance looked rather delapidated; and I thought to myself, "Supposing the wings

should fall off . . ." But I promptly dismissed these thoughts when Captain Herman instructed me on how to get in with the words, "Just get right in."

I placed my foot on a tiny step which protruded from the body of the plane, and in a somewhat awkward, inexperienced style, placed a hand on either side of the cockpit, did a balancing act, and slowly lowered myself into the fuselage.

Captain Herman asked me if I had ever been up before. I replied, "No." He proceeded to tell me how to behave in an airplane: "Keep your hands off the throttle and joy stick. Keep your feet off the rudder pedals. Fasten your safety belt." You can bet that I heeded this last instruction painstakingly. I didn't want to fall out if we should do a loop-the-loop 3000 feet up.

While Captain Herman with experienced grace slipped into the front cockpit, I adjusted my helmet and goggles and tried to look and feel like an aviator. I liked the deep, hollow sound made when I touched the taut canvas body of the plane. Not much of me was to be seen, for I could just about get my chin over the edge of the cockpit.

Captain Herman shouted a few words to a mechanic who stood in front of the

plane with his hands on the propeller. With a sweeping motion of his body and right leg, the mechanic spun the propeller. The engine burst into a roar. A gust of wind tore past my ears and I began to feel like an aviator.

We taxied across the field. The noisy din made by the motor, the ripple of the wind past my ears, and the tinny noise from the rear of the plane as we rolled, dragged, and bumped over the rough gravel of the runway, was exciting.

We headed into the wind. The pilot opened the throttle. Like the roar from a model T Ford tractor when its accelerator is pressed to the floor, the airplane engine bellowed its approval. The propeller became like a sheet of silver as it bit into the wind. We tore across the field.

Suddenly all noises but the roar of the engine and the sound of the wind, ceased. We were off the ground. We were off the ground! We were actually off the ground. As we gained altitude even the sound from the motor softened to a quiet drone.

I peeked cautiously over the edge of the cockpit. The airport, buildings, automobiles, trees, and people receded from view. I experienced another thrill. Often I had stood on the ground watching airplanes soar on the wind and through the clouds, but today people were watching me. It was satisfying to have the situation reversed.

I relaxed and leaned back in the cockpit to enjoy the ride. It was restful to feel the steady tug of the propeller and the throb of the motor as we climbed to a desirable altitude and levelled off.

The Connecticut river stretched below us. It was an irregular silver border line between the platted farm land on the west, and the engineered construction of the city of Springfield on the east.

A gust of wind hit the plane, making it rock and dip. "Woo-hoo!" But I felt secure. My safety belt was well fastened.

I thought: "The wings of this plane will either fall off or they will not fall off. If they fall off, the nearest way to the ground is straight down. If they don't fall off, they will stay on. If they fall off I can do

nothing about it anyhow. Well, I am up here, and the ground is 'way down there, so I may as well enjoy the ride while I am able. Besides, Captain Herman, in his many years of flying experience has never had a single mishap. Why shouldn't I feel confident that I shall be safely returned to the earth!" These last two thoughts assured me that I was safe. I relaxed and felt the wind go by.

At times the pilot turned his head to see how I was taking the ride. He tapped his helmet with an upward motion of his hand. This meant; "OK?" I returned a like gesture. This meant, "OK". We understood each other perfectly. I was enjoying the ride. He was glad I was enjoying it.

Below us was the city of Springfield, its streets lined trimly with beautiful shade trees. All about us was air. The breeze was refreshing. I no longer wondered why a bird liked to fly.

For ten minutes the ride continued. Then we began to descend. A delightful sensation went through me. I felt as though I were at the same time swimming and whizzing down a hill on skis. For the moment I could see no landing field; but as we continued to lose altitude, the hangar, the field, people, and automobiles came into view. I marvelled at the pilot's expert judgment. Slowly objects grew larger.

At last the pilot brought the nose of the ship up, as if instinctively feeling for a landing. At this stage of the ride my sensations were like those of one who dreams he is falling, but wakes up before he has rolled off the edge of the bed, and turns over to a safer position to resume peaceful slumber.

We settled lightly to the earth in an accurate three-point landing, and taxied to a stop.

I remained in the cockpit for a moment, sorry that the ride was over, but satisfied that I had got a broader view of the earth.

When Captain Herman asked me, "How did you like it?", the only word I could give in reply was, "Slick!" I was satisfied!

# Student Council Page

## Dinner-Dance

A record attendance of 349 students, faculty members, and friends of Springfield Northeastern gathered at the Hotel Kimball for the twentieth annual dinner-dance, sponsored by the Student Council. Reports indicate that everyone enjoyed the tender steak, the after-dinner speeches, and the all too short dance which followed.

Guests of honor were Director and Mrs. John D. Churchill, Dean and Mrs. S. Kenneth Schofield, Dean Russell Whitney, and Miss Thompson. Associate Director Ralph Bowen, Miss Hazen, David Tilden '41, president of the Student Council, and Mrs. Tilden completed the head table roster.

Mr. Tilden acted as toastmaster for the after-dinner festivities, introducing the speakers, Director Churchill, Dean Schofield, and Dean Whitney, whose wise and witty remarks were greeted with real enjoyment and well-deserved applause.

Irving Guyer and his orchestra furnished dinner music and played for the dancing, which continued until 12 p. m.

We wonder if most students realize the amount of work necessary to arrange such a successful dinner and dance as we enjoyed. The members of the Student Council and their Faculty Advisers deserve much credit for their splendid work.

Some students believe that we should have more than one dinner-dance a year. Why not have another one during the Christmas vacation? We hope that the Student Council will consider this proposal next year.

## Sports Club

All ye sporting bloods and devotees of athletics, hear ye! Learn whereby not only can you enjoy your favorite sport, indoor and outdoor, winter and summer, but can become better acquainted with your fellow students at Northeastern as well.

How? Simply by becoming a part of the newly-formed Sports Club (so called for the nonce while awaiting a name of the club's choosing.)

Some twenty students under the leadership of the Student Council in the persons of Dave Tilden and Don Graves have already met twice and in discussion of activities have uncovered a wealth of ideas and plans. The temporary officers, Dave Tilden, chairman; Ray Lester and Joseph Megliola, executive committee; and Leon Newman, secretary, are actively engaged in applying the quotation "From little acorns great oaks do grow" to the rapidly progressing plans of the organization.

Do you know what Mountain Day is? Do you know who in Northeastern excels in tennis, golf, swimming, boating, hand ball, volley ball? Do you know what makes boating so thrilling? Why a hike is eagerly anticipated? These are a few sample posers easily solved by active participation in "The Sports Club." Watch the bulletin boards for notices of the next meeting. A word to the wise—i. e., the students of Northeastern—"Don't fail to get on the sportswagon!"

LEON NEWMAN, Secretary.

## Ad-Lib

Many of the Northeastern men were anxious to form an informal discussion club, for the discussion of school and business problems and experiences. This anxiety was crystalized by Mr. Louis Arcanti, who obtained permission from the office to form such a club.

The club is now known as "Ad-Lib". It has sponsored several very interesting open discussions, and presented to the entire school, on April 11, a fine display of a double feature talkie picture.

This club offers very fine prospects to students who wish to become members. All students are eligible. "Ad-Lib" meets every Tuesday evening after class.

## Commencement

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degree of bachelor of business administration in accounting, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Porter, is married and lives at 25 Benz Street. Mr. Porter, a graduate of Classical high school, is employed as book-keeper-cashier at the Diamond Match Company. For the past five years his name has been on the dean's list and at commencement last year he was awarded the Pi Tau Kappa scholarship for academic excellence.

Ernest C. Swanson of North Street, Feeding Hills, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Swanson, is a bookkeeper at the Springfield National Bank. Graduating from the Agawam high school, Mr. Swanson was the ranking student of his class. Here at school he has been active in student affairs, being a member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, its vice-president during the academic year 1937-38, a member of the bowling committee, chairman of the membership committee of the fraternity during the year 1937-38. He is a member of the student council and served as its secretary one year. A candidate for the degree of bachelor of business administration in management, Mr. Swanson's name has been on the dean's list for the past five years.

Each appointee will prepare a paper suitable for delivery at the June commencement exercises on June 7. On the basis of these papers, and the completion of the present year's work, two of the candidates will receive final appointments to deliver student addresses at the commencement exercises. Two more of the appointees will be selected to serve as alternates for the chosen speakers.

We are fast approaching those dreaded final examinations. The Freshmen in the Engineering and Business Course are lamenting the fact that they will be going to school until June 9. They should be glad they're not Sophomores who have finals on both May 30 and 31.

## Stair-Landing Gossip

It's remarkable how along about green-up time every year the old cloak-room enigma at N. U. just up and solves itself.

Every night from Thanksgiving to the Ides of March you spend the last hour in class wondering where you're going to find your hat, if at all. At 6:59, amid a scene of reckless confusion that would make the battle of Bull Run look like an afternoon tea, you parked the much beloved head piece. You wedged it very securely between a brown felt and a gray fedora that sports an overplayed community chest feather in it; breathed a quick prayer for its safe keeping and wriggled out through a few hundred items of toggery, leaving a trail of fallen hats and coats as far as the eye could see.

Now, personally, my skypiece during the four or five years of our association has become very dear to me and to be obliged to leave it parked in a cloak room the condition of which would make a sardine feel like a meadow lark is positively distressing—but definitely.

After class, Maury—That's my hat. I named it after Maury Blodgett. They both look so cute with bows on—comes limping out to meet me. Battered and jammed, stamped and stomped on, punted and assaulted, hurled and scaled by half the paying customers of old alma mater, dear old Maury is enough to bring the library "Puritan" down to his knees in tears.

But now that the buds are budding and the birds are birding and Plumtree Road is a symbol instead of a street, old Maury has a hook all to himself in a cloakroom and life is free from care until next fall.

Any one of these days now you're likely to see the old Maestro, Director Churchill, poring carefully over maps: road maps, waterways and buffalo trails. All from the dear old Rooseveltian state —Maine.



# A Story From Hell

By W. H. Sleith '44

Let's see. It was about the midde of July 1940. We were bouncing along a shell torn road in a rattletrap French army truck. Eddie was lying on the straw covered floor, an old blanket rolled up beneath his head. Jim and I were sitting facing each other on the makeshift seats that ran along the canvassed sides.

Cigarettes went to butts and new ones took their places. The silence was getting me down. We three had laughed in Devens, got drunk in Paris, swung gaily through Switzerland, Italy, Yugoslavia, and Hungary. And now that we were nearly there an icy tension sucked in around us. It caught the back of our necks and held them taut. It closed on our throats and made us want to yell. It made

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No one ever found out where he goes every summer, but they say it's farther north than an Eskimo's hut, and twice as hard to get into. For guides he uses four Indians and a grizzly bear, and they do the last fourteen miles swinging through the trees. The Churchill trek into the north country makes the Lewis and Clark expedition look like a picnic. If Admiral Byrd would show a little gumption, John

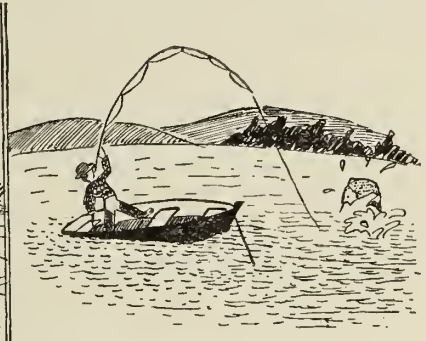
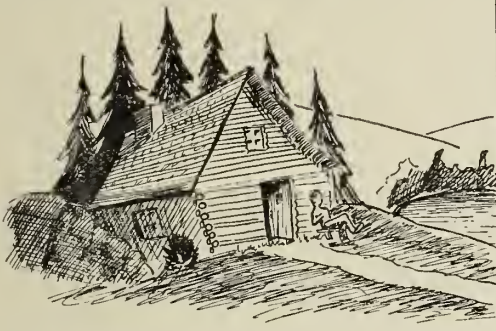
D. might show him around. The natives up there are just getting used to wearing loin cloths, and they're still fighting the French and Indian War.

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Last summer a halfbreed brought an oxcart through the pass and revolutionized the place.

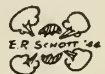
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Well, have a good time anyway, Mr. Churchill, and watch out for the redskins.



WHAT OUR FACULTY  
DO DURING THEIR  
SPARE TIME.

DIRECTOR  
JOHN D. CHURCHILL



conversation a trespasser and laughter a blasphemy. Eddie made an obvious effort to break it with, "Don't forget, you fellows, we have a date with those three babies in Mikolz a week from tonight."

"A week from tonight we'll probably be dead," said Jim.

"Aw, cut it," shouted Eddie. "We'll be right back in good old Mikolz in a couple of days. They don't keep you up in the front lines more than a few days at a time. You know that. That little one I was with was pretty cute. I liked the way she says 'Beeg American'. What the devil was her name, Bill?"

"I don't remember, Eddie," I answered, "something like Ramouska or maybe it was Mary. What the hell difference does it make anyway."

"What's the matter? You got the willies too?" came back Eddie, flicking a butt out the back end.

"No, just thinking."

"About what?"

"Well, first of all about this damn war. How it raises hell with people's lives. Oh, not us. I was thinking about these folks here. Win or lose, they're in the hole. Their cities, the work and pride of centuries, shelled to bits. Young people, just turning their faces to the sun, are cut down like ripe wheat. And the girls. Poor kids, they think we're going to save their country for them. And so they kiss us and call us 'Beeg Americans'. I wonder if any social system is worth it."

"Well, they decided theirs was, so here we are," said Jim.

"Aw, nuts," grinned Eddie, "let's forget that side of it. We're here because we're here and in a couple of months we'll be back home in Springfield. There's a lot of fun to be had in this man's war and I'm aiming to find it. You know the general said they didn't expect Germany to last until Christmas. Well that's only six months and when it's over you two old gloom prophets will be kicking yourselves that you didn't enjoy it while it was here."

A shell bursting a couple of hundred yards off to one side brought us back to the present. "We must be getting close to the lines," I remarked.

"Yeah," answered Jim, "where we're going to shoot a lot of fellows just like ourselves, who are here because they're here . . . How I'd like to be going to school tonight. Just to look for a parking place around the triangle or up Mattoon Street . . . then up the stairs two at a time, a wave to Maury Blodgett and through the door just in time to say 'here' to the roll call . . . that sure would be something."

"Aw, we'd probably have an exam that couldn't be done or something," chided Eddie.

A plane flew low over the long caravan of trucks that stretched as far as we could see. "I'm glad he's on our side," grinned Eddie as the patrol roared less than a hundred yards above us, "because if he wasn't he could punch some very cute patterns in this canvass."

"Yes, I guess he could, but he isn't going to, so why worry," said I. "Speaking of school, in that letter I got down in Budapest my mother says my finals came back from Boston."

"How'd you come out?" queried Eddie.

"All B's."

"A heck of a lot of good B's will do you when one of Hitler's proteges lines you up on his sights." This from Jim.

"I know, Jim, but we can't think of those things. Death is for the other fellow, always the other fellow, remember, never for you. You're the lucky one who went through unscathed and lived to a ripe old age recounting for the townsfolk the terrible battles of the second world war. Learn to think in terms of life, Jim, not death. Death, out here, comes fast. Ping . . . and a needle pricks you. Great weights drop from your shoulders and you slip into a deep restful sleep. It's as easy as that. Death doesn't hurt."

"For cripes sakes will you guys shut up? You're giving me the creeps," shouted Eddie.

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The dugout was a cute affair. The ceiling of earth supported by a few timbers sagged like the back of an old horse and with each bursting shell threatened to let go. Rain water trickled

down the walls and covered the floor with black muck. Makeshift cots and bunks were scattered around the sides . . . Each one could be reached by maneuvering along a series of planks designed to keep us out of the ooze.

We found out that this was planned as a temporary trench and, consequently, not too much time had been taken to make it habitable. Over in one dark corner a disconsolate pile of blankets, canteens, and miscellaneous dunnage whispered that "some didn't come back." And as you sat on the cot you wondered about the fellow who had slept in it last night. About his mother, his girl, and his dreams. Why was he here? What was he fighting for? Maybe, like you, he hadn't been quite sure.

It was our second night up front. We leaned on our guns and thought of home. All along the trench there was sort of an artificial activity. Men cleaned their guns for the third time without firing a shot. A bunch of Frenchmen chattered too loudly. One fellow was trying to shave himself in the dark . . . anything so long as they didn't have time to think. We were going over the top in half an hour.

Thirty minutes can be a hell of a long time. At last a soft whistle from the sergeant. That meant get ready. Eddie said, "Don't forget Mikolz next Tuesday."

Jim took a picture and a cross from his pocket and kissed them. I adjusted my cartridge belt for the hundredth time and tried to think of Mikolz and Jim's picture and cross. War was hell. Eddie was saying something about sticking close together when the second whistle came. Eddie went up first, then I, and Jim last.

Our barrage had stopped and everything was quiet . . . "too damn quiet," I thought. All down the line men were crawling on their hands and knees.

"What a hell of a way to die," whispered Jim, "on your hands and knees."

"It's blacker than inside of a derby up there," said Eddie.

"Yeah," I came back, "makes you want to turn and run, doesn't it."

"And get shot in the guts by that tough Sergeant. No, thanks," returned Eddie.

We were supposed to crawl very quietly to the barbed wire, worm through it and wait on the other side until the first gray light in the east. Then at the signal from the C. O. we'd walk in on them. It was a good plan. Too bad it didn't work.

We were about seventy-five yards from our trench when a flare broke overhead; then another and another. Every man went flat on his stomach as the whole scene was bathed in a brilliant white light. "And we were going to surprise 'em," laughed Eddie.

"Shut up," I muttered between clenched teeth.

"Yeah, be quiet," sneered Jim. "Maybe they'll think we're dead . . . two hundred of us laid out face down in a nice straight line. Any Heinie that can't see through this little party is blind. Don't be afraid, fellows; it comes fast. Ping . . . and a needle pricks you. Then you go into a soft restful sleep. It doesn't hurt . . . much."

The light was just fading when the shattering staccato of a machine gun stabbed through the stillness. The bullets made a queer spluttering noise as they bit into the muck a few yards ahead.

"I'm not going to lie here and let that guy get me," screamed Jim. Before I could grab him he was off. Crouching low he raced for a shell hole about ten yards to the right. A sniper's bullet caught him before he was half way. He went down in a heap with his face to the sky and a curse in his mouth.

The light went out at last. Eddie and I crawled to where Jim lay, silent and still . . . much too still.

I turned him over and when I felt for his heartbeat my hand came away warm and sticky. Eddie cursed as he took the cross and picture from his pocket. "Well it was just like you said, ping . . . and a needle pricks you. Come on. Let's get out of here before I go nuts."

I looked along the line. The men were moving again. "Guess they're going through with it," I muttered and gave Eddie a push with my gun butt. "Come on, old fellow, there are only two of us now, so for Pete's sake be careful. Don't



try any fool stunts like . . . well, don't, that's all."

The machine gun had stopped. For a minute I thought we really had fooled them . . . but just for a minute. Eddie said, "It's like crawling into the next world."

"Yeah, in more ways than one."

There was a flash of light and a muffled report away up ahead. I started to ask Eddie what it was when—blam! It landed. There was a blinding flash of light and a noise that shattered your eardrums while the earth shook beneath you. Something hit me on the back and I went down on my face in the mud. Rocks and mud rained down and literally buried me . . . then quiet . . . I raised my bruised body out of the mess to find Eddie grinning at me.

"What the devil was that?"

"That, my good friend, was a trench mortar, one of the most heinous weapons ever devised. A puff and a flash and then, boom, it delivers you into eternity in pieces. All we need now is a little gas to make our night exciting."

I turned to get my gun and I saw a man, still alive, with his leg torn off at the hip. Life and vitals were fastly oozing from another through a gaping hole in his belly. I sat very still. This wasn't war. This was madness. I felt my head reel and I knew I was talking, yelling, but I didn't know what. Then Eddie was shaking me and slapping my face. "I'm all right, Ed," I said. "Just yellow, I guess."

"Come on. We're moving," he muttered, thrusting my gun at me. We started crawling again. As my mind cleared I realized that those damn mortar shells were dropping farther down the line. One came close and we went down on our faces. "This is suicide. Let's go back."

"I'm with you," said Eddie. "To hell with Hungary."

Crouching low we started back. We were running now with no thought but to reach that trench. Our feet were things of lead. We stumbled and fell and rose to stumble again. We had covered about one half the distance when a flare went up.

"Get down," shouted Eddie. But I was already diving for a small ditch that lay a few yards to my right. Eddie hurled himself at a shell hole farther ahead and to the left.

No sooner had I flattened myself in the shallow furrow than all hell broke loose. A dozen machine guns cut jagged paths across that field of creeping men. Shells dropped by the score. The earth trembled beneath my clawing fingers and it seemed that the heavens must split with the racket.

A smashing blow on my shoulder nearly tore me out of the ditch. Only shrapnel could hit like that.

The flare faded out and the firing ceased. I dragged myself clear of the ditch and crawled to the hole where Eddie was, my right arm hanging at a sickening angle. "Eddie," I yelled. Nothing but the screams and moans of dying men answered me. "Eddie, Eddie," I cried hysterically as I slid into the hole. Eddie was not there. The ground was still warm from the shell that had ripped into that hole.

I sat very still. "First Jim and now Eddie. It delivers you into eternity in pieces. Good God, was this all there was to war? Killed in action, but there had been no action. They hadn't fired a shot. They hadn't even seen the enemy. They died for nothing."

Then I began to laugh, a high raucous laughter. I laughed at the girls in Mikolz, at Jim's cross and picture, at school, at the general who had shaken our hands, at the world and the civilization it boasted.

I don't remember much after that except that I laughed at every corpse and shattered body as I stumbled this way and that.

My shattered arm trickled blood and I laughed at that too. Then ping . . . there it was. "Why don't you shoot straight, soldier. You want me to fall on my face so that I might live. Live to hear more men scream as they die. To watch them drag bleeding stumps through the mud and paw at faces that aren't there. Shoot straight, soldier, I've lived one day too long."



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## Coming: The Freshman Reception!

Under auspices of Student Council

Dancing 8:00 p. m. to 1:00 a. m.

REFRESHMENTS

INFORMAL DRESS

Free to freshmen, nominal charge to upperclassmen.

Watch bulletins for place and date.

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# Correction, Please!

By Maurice H. Baitler

There seems to be a mistaken impression among the undergraduates of Springfield Northeastern, as well as among outsiders, that the School of Law has discontinued accepting freshmen. This is erroneous, and is no doubt due to a misunderstanding which should be corrected immediately. The misunderstanding seems to be in regard to the requirements of the Massachusetts Bar Association for admitting new members.

While the entrance requirements in the Northeastern School of Law are that one half of a college education is necessary, it is surprising to note that the percentage of students who have had college education, and have enrolled within the last two years is far below the 27% average which the school had before the requirements of the Massachusetts Bar Association went into effect. It may be that the misunderstanding as to freshman classes has had something to do with this. In a letter to the alumni and undergraduates Mr. Churchill has tried to clear this matter up. However, it is necessary to enlist the cooperation of each student in the school, to correct these faulty impressions, and to apprise prospective students of the fact that freshmen classes in law are continuing, the same as they have during the last 15 years.

The standards of the School of Law have been raised from time to time, to conform to those of other well recognized law schools, and these standards have more than equalled the requirements of the Massachusetts Bar Association.

Springfield Northeastern School of Law alumni have become prominent in the civic life of the surrounding communities, and have attained a fine record, in successfully passing the Bar examinations. At the last examination eight out of the twelve graduates who are known to have taken the examination, passed. This is a percentage of 66.7 as compared to the percentage in the state of 31.4, and in addition, one of the undergraduates was successful in passing the New Hampshire Bar examinations.

Every student and alumnus should do his utmost to ensure that eligible persons desiring to study law understand that Northeastern still offers them the opportunity.

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## Mr. Bowen Wins Degree

Mr. Ralph Lorenzo Bowen, the genial gentlemen whose prompt repartee, keen mind, and friendly counsel as associate director of Springfield Northeastern have added much to the happiness of all who frequent its corridors and class rooms, achieved a new honor in June, 1939, when he received the degree of Master of Education (Ed. M) from Boston University.

Mr. Bowen entered the Springfield Division of Northeastern in the fall of 1921, taking the accounting program. He was graduated in 1925 with a B. C. S. degree. Later he continued his studies in the Boston University School of Education, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education in 1936. In his work

for the Master's degree he majored in social sciences.

In September, 1929, Mr. Bowen began his service to the University as evening assistant. He was appointed assistant director August 15, 1930, and bursar in 1933. He became associate director in 1935, succeeding Mr. Russell Whitney, who went to Boston to become dean of the School of Business in all the divisions of the University.

Mr. Bowen has taught elementary economics to pre-college students since the fall of 1930.

He is a member of the American Economic Association, the Foreign Policy Association, and the Religious Education Association.

# Scholars Make Dean's List

The Dean's list of the School of Law of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University was announced recently. The list includes those students who have attained a cumulative average of 79.5 or better for the period during which they have been students.

## GRADUATES, CLASS OF 1939

Matthew T. Mayes, 2nd—Springfield  
W. Edwin Watkins—Springfield

## SENIORS, CLASS OF 1940

Irving J. Angell—Springfield  
Frances A. Bryant—Springfield  
Seymour B. Harris—Springfield  
Morris Learner—Springfield

Sager T. McDonald—Springfield  
Raymond M. Trudel—Turners Falls

## JUNIORS, CLASS OF 1941

Maurice M. Blodgett—Peterborough,  
N. H.

Harrison B. Clapp—Springfield

Henry H. Franklin—East Harpswell,  
Maine

John E. Reed—Granville Center

Harold C. Sigda—Holyoke

## MIDDLELERS, CLASS OF 1942

Maurice H. Baitler—Agawam

A. Martha Davis—Westfield

John Flynn, Jr.—Springfield

Thomas E. Gallivan, Jr.—Springfield

Socrates Geanacopoulos — Chicopee  
Falls

Peter N. Hall—Westfield

John T. Hanley—Springfield

Louise C. Kennedy—Springfield

Dorothea M. Lyons—West Springfield

Frank Placzek—Westfield

Fredric T. Suss—Springfield

## SOPHOMORES, CLASS OF 1943

James J. Lovett—Springfield

Of the above the following were also in the Dean's list for 1937-38:

W. Edwin Watkins, a graduate with the Class of 1939; Irving J. Angell, Frances A. Bryant, Morris Learner, Sager T. McDonald, and Raymond M. Trudel of the Class of 1940; Harrison B. Clapp, Henry H. Franklin, John E. Reed, and Harold C. Sigda of the Class of 1941; A. Martha

Davis, John Flynn, Jr., Socrates Geanacopoulos, Peter N. Hall, John T. Hanley, Dorothea M. Lyons, Frank Placzek, and Fredric T. Suss of the Class of 1942.

Word was received in early September from the Dean's office of the School of Business of Northeastern University in Boston that the following Springfield Northeastern students made the Dean's list for the academic year 1938-39. To be eligible for the Dean's list, a person has to be a candidate for his bachelor's degree, carrying a full program, and obtaining an average of at least 80 for the year.

## GRADUATES, CLASS OF 1939

Jeanette G. Berman, Leon D. Chapin, Jr., Violet L. Vester, Stanley C. Mathison, Philip H. Porter, and John H. Riffelmacher of Springfield; Ernest C. Swanson of Feeding Hills.

## SENIORS, CLASS OF 1940

Albert C. Christensen, Frank E. Hegarty, Emanuel Tesoro, David L. Turnbull, David Weiss, and Adolph J. Yodkowski of Springfield.

## JUNIORS, CLASS OF 1941

William F. Buckley, Frank S. Jamro, Francis J. McGrath, Robert L. Matthews, Stuart Reynolds, Louis Searleman, Edmund A. Szymczyk, and Leslie F. Woods of Springfield; Arthur J. Finnell of Westfield.

## UPPER MIDDLELERS, CLASS OF 1942

Eunice G. Donovan, Edward A. Hachadorian, Sidney A. Rasanen, Luke J. Smith, John F. Sullivan, Jr., and Ralph S. Warner of Springfield; Thaddeus J. Drewniak of Chicopee; Winston B. Larson of East Longmeadow; Ruth M. Moore and John C. Symancyk of Westfield; Claude R. Parent of West Springfield.

## LOWER MIDDLELERS, CLASS OF 1943

Edward A. Anderstrom, Laurence F. Brundett, Francis B. Connor, Edward R. Deane, Robert C. Ewig, Eugene F. Jenness, Leon J. Newman, and John A. Sickel, Jr. of Springfield; Paul E. Allain of Fairview; Adam Korabowski of West

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## Editors Organize

At a staff meeting held Monday evening, September 25, plans were discussed for the Nor'easter during the coming year. The most discussed problem regarding the Nor'easter is an economic one. The magazine is expensive to publish, but a comparative estimate of other types of publications show that it is less expensive in its present form than a four-page newspaper would be, and unless the students themselves did the typing it would be no less costly to have a multigraphed sheet.

To those who have been criticising the amount of money expended on the Nor'easter, we make the suggestion that they consider the cost of the annual dinner dance. That one dance costs approximately the same amount of money as the publication cost of the Nor'easter for one year.

The plans are now that we will publish more issues than ever before. Each issue will contain at least eight pages, and another four pages can be added any time the material warrants. However, all manuscripts are to be closely edited and every word must count. The cost of the larger number of issues should be considerably less under these conditions than last year.

Some of the students have expressed a preference for a newspaper instead of the present magazine. The question is, whether we would rather have a magazine with the occasional news of Northeastern in it, or a newspaper weak in news, but filled with magazine material.

We are going after advertising this year and some of the publication expense should be defrayed in that way. The rates will be low, and it should not be difficult to get advertisers.

There is still room for interested students on the staff. Writing ability is not required. There is plenty of other kinds of work to be done. General staff meetings and meetings of the various departments will be announced on the bulletin board. All the meetings are open to any Northeastern student who wishes to attend. We will even permit an occasional instructor who has an idea.

## Shorter Periods?

By Warren Rote '44

Interest is growing in the idea of splitting Northeastern classes so that there would be two one-hour classes each night instead of one two-hour class. Many students would like to see this plan in effect. The chief argument for such an arrangement is that the present two-hour sessions are very monotonous.

Doubling the number of classes would double the time now required to get a class started. A half hour a week in each subject would be lost this way. In fact, it would be impractical to split a class such as Mechanical Drawing because so much time is needed to get started anyway.

Under this "split" system, a student carrying only one subject would still have to come two evenings a week. A teacher having two classes a week now might have to come four nights a week.

In addition, difficulties might be experienced in planning a program so that classes would interlock correctly.

## More About Day Dreams

By Royb

I like to sit in a big armchair—preferably before a fire-place—and there forget all worry and petty care to build dream castles in the air! Enchanting realm! where one can see his dreams become reality. Nothing impossible! and all this free to be enjoyed by you or me! I like to dream of what I might do; if I were but somebody who had earned a name the whole world through, and lived to see his dreams come true! For what use Fame if it comes too late and we never know that we've been great? Why must it sometimes seem to wait until we meet Man's destined Fate? Yes; I'd like to sit and while away an hour or two 'most every day—though people might look at me and say, "He's foolish! Dreams will never pay!" Poor mortal Man with narrow mind who cannot dream, but who's inclined to jeer the dreamer, some day you'll find that You are the one who is left behind!



## Dean's List

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Springfield; Stanley P. Lis, B. Radley Sandisford of Westfield; Alphonse H. Wilhelm of South Hadley Falls; Ernest H. Wilkins, Jr. of Chicopee Falls; Michael Zwarycz of Ludlow.

### SOPHOMORES, CLASS OF 1944

William H. Bartlett, Isadore E. Blatt, Jack Bresky, Edward J. Brzyz, Warren C. Christensen, William F. Harrington, Joseph F. McGovern, Francis J. Moriarty, John M. Payne, Russell C. Salls, Richard J. Taylor, and William A. Woods of Springfield; Kenneth P. Abbe of Longmeadow; Arvid W. Anderson, William J. Raschi, and Garven F. Williams, Jr. of West Springfield; Benjamin P. Astley, Thomas P. Brassill, Herbert M. Gray, Edwin C. Kautzmann, Jr., and Allan R. Lowry of Holyoke; Paul H. Brusco, Jr. of Westfield; Harry C. Kantianis and William H. Sleith of Chicopee Falls; Walter J. Kroll of Indian Orchard; Howard E. Reed of Addison, Conn.; Edith C. Rowley of East Longmeadow.

Of the above, the following were also on the Dean's list in 1937-38:

Jeanette G. Berman, Violet L. Vester, Stanley C. Mathison, Philip H. Porter, and Ernest C. Swanson, all graduates with the Class of 1939; Frank E. Hegarty, Emanuel Tesoro, David L. Turnbull, David Weiss, Adolph J. Yodlowski, all of the Class of 1940; Frank S. Jamro, Louis Searleman, and Edmund A. Szymczyk, all of the Class of 1941; Claude R. Parent, Luke J. Smith, John F. Sullivan, Jr., and Ralph S. Warner, all of the Class of 1942; Paul E. Allain, Edward A. Anderstrom, Laurence F. Brundrett, Eugene F. Jenness, Adam Korabowski, Stanley P. Lis, Leon J. Newman, B. Bradley Sandiford, John A. Sickel, Jr., Alphonse H. Wilhelm, and Michael Zwarycz, all of the Class of 1943.

Even the munition makers couldn't run a war if nobody would fight.

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You'll be sorry if you miss the Frosh Reception.

## Graves Heads Council

Donald R. Graves '41, has been elected president of the Student Council for the school year 1939-40, succeeding David E. Tilden '41, who was elected vice-president. A. Martha Davis '42 was named as secretary. Mr. Tilden led the Council through what was probably its most valuable and constructive year's work in 1938-39, and even better things are expected of the new Council, with the inspiration of previous achievement and the impetus of renewed interest in student activities.

Plans will be announced in detail in later issues of the Nor'easter.

The Council for this year is made up of the following students:

### SCHOOL OF LAW

<b>Class of 1943</b>	<b>Class of 1941</b>
James J. Lovett	Harrison B. Clapp
<b>Class of 1942</b>	<b>Class of 1940</b>
A. Martha Davis	Irving J. Angell
Kenwood Ross	
Joseph C. Stothert	

### SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

<b>Class of 1944</b>	Gordon H. Chandler (E & B)
	William H. Sleith (E & B)
<b>Class of 1943</b>	Laurence F. Brundrett (Acct)
	Eugene F. Jenness (E & B)
	William J. Raschi (E & B)
	John A. Sickel, Jr. (E & B)
<b>Class of 1942</b>	Edward A. Hachadorian (E & B)
	Ralph S. Warner (E & B)
<b>Class of 1941</b>	Elizabeth A. Easson (Mgt)
	Donald R. Graves (Mgt)
	David E. Tilden (Acct)
<b>Class of 1940</b>	Frank E. Hegarty (E & B)

Erwin R. Schott, Class of 1944, E & B was elected to the Student Council in May 1939 but has not registered as yet this fall.

Architect wanted.—Will someone design and build a Contribution Box for donations to the Nor'easter? We may need one with a patented sifter feature to segregate the orange peels and cigar butts from the manuscripts. Apply in person to Mr. Chatto or Miss Davis or leave your application at the office.

## Thanks!

From time to time last year the Nor'easter printed several complaints about the inadequate lighting facilities in Northeastern classrooms. We also gave space to suggestions regarding the need of paint in our section of the building. Once it was even suggested that some of the students themselves would undertake to do the painting during their spare time—such as it was.

Therefore, the Nor'easter expresses appreciation of the work done during the vacation period. Many of the class rooms have been painted. The ceilings are lighter; there is more light in the rooms. A few have been equipped with new lights which can be stared at with no bad effects. These rooms, besides having been improved in appearance, are considerably more comfortable to work in. The lighting problem in other rooms is being studied and action is anticipated in the near future.

In addition to these improvements, the library has been thoroughly cleaned during the summer, including dusting of all the books and shelves. The Nor'easter suggests that a more frequent use of the books would prevent new dust from accumulating.

## The Listener In--

admires Mr. Callahan's method of admonishing his students about the second bell.

notices considerable comment on the part of students, for and against the experiment in lighting facilities in A-6

heard that the Nor'Easter is looking for dependable reporters in each class. Why not volunteer by applying to Miss Martha Davis?

understands that a Monday evening class in A-11 had summer heat and winter cold all within a period of two hours and fifteen minutes, in September. Must be our New England weather.

## Blodgett Leaves N. U.

Countless students this fall miss the genial personality of Maurice M. Blodgett, who was always cooperative in helping us to progress in our work at Northeastern.

He was born in Waterford, Vermont, in 1910 and progressed through usual educational channels, graduating from Tufts College in 1931 with a degree of A.B. During his college career, he was elected, because of high scholastic standing, to that coveted national honorary society Phi Beta Kappa. He also became a member of Alpha Tau Omega. Upon graduating, Mr. Blodgett studied at Harvard University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences.

He entered Northeastern Law School in the fall of 1934 and attended for three years. While attending school, he became an Assistant Director of Springfield Division in the fall of 1935, resigning August 15, 1939. Through this position he became well known to the student body, alumni, and faculty.

Although having completed only 3 years of a usual 5-year course in Law School, Mr. Blodgett took a law review course in New Hampshire and passed the New Hampshire State Bar Examinations held at the latter part of August of this year. Truly, a major achievement!

After being admitted to the bar in the opening session of the New Hampshire Supreme Court he opened a law office September 6, 1939 in the Savings Bank Building in Peterboro, New Hampshire.

Our commendations and expressions of good wishes go out to him.

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has been told that the odor of fresh paint, does not go very well with a final examination. (Instructors please take note)

learns that one set of Massachusetts Reports in the school library has been brought completely up to date by the substitution of **Massachusetts Decisions** for the official reports. Mass. Decisions are bindings of the Massachusetts cases from the North Eastern Reporter. Included with the new service are the advance sheets of the North Eastern Reporter, which are issued weekly.

# Middlebury Gets The Bird

September 30, 1939

Sumburg, Massachusetts

Bird Accessories

Fort Whine

Indiana

Gentlemen:

To be brief my trouble is as follows and I am in sincere and expectant hope that you will endeavor to come to a conclusion about me which presents difficulties.

Eloise, who is my wife, and I have a small apartment where we live with little in it in the way of company for Eloise when I have gone about my business, which is inspector of boilers in our local foundry in our town, which you would like being so far away from your flat country and in the hills of New England which are brightly lighted in the autumn by red and yellow leaves and other shades.

So we decided to purchase a pet for company for her when your writer is at work and we tried out on approval a Great Dane who put his foot through the window and was returned and a cat which would not stay in with Eloise, preferring other cats to her, until a neighbor who attends the Friday night movies with me decided that a bird would make a fit and gentle companion. We considered a pair of love birds but decided on a canary because we ourselves can't sing and like a cheerful note in contrast to the rough voice of love birds about which we are acquainted.

In our search we traversed our commonwealth and after diligent hunting we located our little feathered friend in a town the other side of Worcester through which we travelled and were held up in an endeavor to discover who was the sculptor who had foresight and erected, dedicated and set up a statue to those brave and earnest men who sell vacuum cleaners, only on close scrutiny to find that it was a plow and they were pushing it, not selling it, and they weren't two men, but a man and his wife, and a modern sculptor produced it by the name of Stern. It is very lovely in the park to look at when one is not hunting for canaries.

Finally we bought one which is canary yellow and which at the time of purchase extended a long tail must to our joy and had a cheerful way of flipping it when excited. It is about this tail that I inquire how to get it back in short order which is the way it left. We allow our singing companion to be free about the room and have cautioned him innumerable not to enter the kitchen where there is a fire and he might get singed but he flew there with me after him in a hurry.

He is not burned or scorched, I having captured him promptly, but in the ensuing struggle I am guilty of holding on too long or tightly when he desired otherwise and he came apart in my hand, flying off without his tail which I stood holding and didn't mean to, but don't know what to do with or where to get another. He is now unable to hop as usual being somewhat off balance only half his size.

Please advise.

Your faithful purchaser of bird seed,

Middlebury Smith.

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Upperclassmen: For *the* good time of the year, take in the Frosh Reception.

## Listen, My Chillun

Gather 'round chilluns: we have things to talk about.

Seeing as how this is the first issue of the Nor'easter for the current season, this seems like an ideal time to take the student body apart with reference to Nor'easter work.

In the past, work on the paper has been carried on almost entirely by a few communal-minded souls, working desperately to give you, the student body, a paper worthy of the name it wears.

This year, things are going to be different. No longer will the responsibility of getting this sheet out rest on two or three people.

An efficient staff has been organized and they very coyly shifted the Nor'easter, bag and baggage, into your lap, where it justly belongs. All the bouquets and brickbats will be yours from now on, and I mean you, every one of you from Mr. Churchill down to the last enrollee of the pre-college class. This is your paper, paid for out of your money, written about your school, and, by gad, you're gonna write it.

A list of the Nor'easter staff will be placed on the bulletin, a news box will be put up near the bookstore, every effort will be made to make it convenient for you to turn in news, stories, articles, comments, anything that you think would interest your fellow students.

Whenever anything happens in class, at fraternity meetings—no matter how trivial; give the bare facts to a staff member. He'll write it up and this will be a better paper because of your interest. Wha'd'ya'say, fellows, let's wade in.

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Those naive individuals walking aimlessly through the halls with no apparent attribute other than a vacant sort of an expression from their shoulders up are freshmen, and the poor little dears are looking for their classrooms.

Do all you can to help these plebes. They're a necessary evil and it will take months to train them into intelligent appearing students.

## Emerson New Chairman

Robert R. Emerson was appointed Chairman of the Board of Governors of Northeastern University, Springfield Division, at the regular spring Board meeting. He had served as Treasurer for several years.

Always prominently connected with the University, Mr. Emerson was president of the class of 1923, obtained his B.S.C. from the school of Business and is a former President of the Alumni Association. The Treasurer of Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company, he has also been active in civic activities acting as Treasurer of Connecticut Valley Branch Foreign Policy Association, Treasurer of Springfield City Club, and is the present Chairman of the Springfield Chapter of the Red Cross.

Succeeding Mr. Emerson as Treasurer is Earl H. Paine, also appointed at the spring meeting of the Board of Governors. A graduate of the School of Business, he received his B.C.S. in 1927 and has been a member of the Board for two years. He is well known throughout the city as an active member of the Civitan Club and is the Assistant Treasurer of the Springfield Five Cent Savings Bank.

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Never mind, Freshies, we like you just the same. However, here are a few rules concerning your conduct which you may as well learn the easy way:

Whenever there is a line at the bookstore, always give your place in line to an upperclassman. This same rule applies at the drinking fountains. Never use the coat hooks on the first three racks (entering from the bookstore side) in the cloakroom. Finally, be generally courteous to upperclassmen in the halls.

Sincerely, Freshies, we are glad to have you with us, and just to show you we mean it, we're throwing a party for you. All freshmen are invited absolutely free. Upperclassmen must pay. The posters in the hall will give you the rest of the details. Turn out now, Freshmen. We're expecting you. Bring your girl friends. We promise not to take them away from you.



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# Largest Enrollment in School History

As the Springfield Division of Northeastern University begins its twenty-first year it is witnessing the greatest enrollment in its history, 582 students having been officially admitted. The school is packed nearly to capacity, with new registration still coming in.

Some classes which are too large to meet in one classroom have been divided. Marked increases have been noted in the Accounting and Business and the Engineering and Business courses, which gained 23 and 12 respectively over last year.

New requirements in the school of law have cut down its enrollment somewhat. If a person is to study law he must have at least two years of college prior to enrollment in law school. All law courses, however, are being carried on, with a prospect of increase in the future.

Not all freshman have been included since some had not been officially admitted when this report was made up on October 25. When a final and complete report is made up on November 25, it should show an additional increase of about 15 students.

The following table shows enrollment figures on October 25.

	Oct. 25 1938		Oct. 25 1939		De- crease	In- crease
School of Law		116				
School of Business					18	
Accounting	160		183			23
Management	117		124			7
Engineering and Business	133		145			12
Law and Business	13	423	11	463	2	
Pre-College						
Winter	22		30			8
Summer	15	37	10	40	5	
		576		601		
Less Duplicates		17		19	2	
		559		582	27	50

## Fraternity News

By Ernest Swanson '39

The brothers of Pi Tau Kappa held their first initiation meeting Saturday, November 18, in the Captain Charles Leonard House, Agawam. The newly built Pine Room in this colonial mansion is novel and inviting. Mrs. Toussaint, the hostess, served dinner promptly at 6:00.

Alleys were reserved at the Recreation Center from 3:30 to 5:30 that afternoon. All the he men gathered around to test their skill in the gentle art of bowling.

The speaker for the evening was District Attorney Thomas F. Moriarty. His subject "Duties of a District Attorney" was of interest to every fraternity brother—old

timers as well as the new. Mr. Moriarty is known by the people of Springfield as a dynamic, learned man who speaks fluently and who colors his talks with personal experiences. His message was both humorous and instructive.

After a brief forum the floor was cleared to prepare for the business meeting. Some of the discussion centered about the weekly bowling matches held every Thursday at the new alleys on Chestnut Street. The names of prospective members were voted upon and plans were made for the Christmas Dance scheduled for December 23.

At the close of the meeting a program of initiation stunts was given. All the fraternity brothers took an active part.

# N. U. Students Pass Bar Exams

By Mary K. Foley

Eight students from Northeastern University, Springfield Division, were among the 233 successful applicants who took the Massachusetts Bar Examination in June 1939. Those who passed the bar examination of interest to Northeastern student body and alumni are Howard J. Cotter, 26 Cliftwood Street, Louis H. Cohen, 66 Ventura Street, Matthew T. Mayes, 2nd, 289 State Street, Samuel Reisner, 2580 Main Street, Edward J. Kimball, 408 Belmont Avenue and Milton J. Fisher, 73 Washington Road, all of Springfield; Cornelius T. McMahon, 9 Gold Street, Westfield and John T. Quirk, Jr., Albany, New York. In June there were 708 applicants for the bar, 233, or 31.4% were successful, while there were adverse reports in 475 cases. Over 60% of the Springfield Northeastern graduates were successful.

Howard J. Cotter is a graduate of the High School of Commerce, June, 1930, and graduated in the 1939 class from Northeastern. He is now associated with the Springfield Welfare Department and, as yet, wishes to make no statement as to the future of his legal career.

The Springfield daily papers just recently carried the announcement of the opening of an office by Louis H. Cohen at 115 State Street, this city. Mr. Cohen formerly was sales manager for the Chapin Grocery, Incorporated.

Having been connected with a patent attorney for the past five years, Matthew T. Mayes, 2nd, has stated that his intention for the present is to continue in such employment.

Although it was not possible to contact Milton J. Fisher directly, a statement was secured from his residence to the effect that he will enter the practice of law despite the present lack of definite plans.

Plans to begin practicing law in January 1940 are being worked on by Edward J. Kimball. Mr. Kimball now holds the position of sales manager of the shoe department at Poole's.

Samuel Reisner, a graduate of Classical High School, Class of 1934, and the 1939 class of Northeastern, is very busy completing details so as to permit him to begin his practice next month. Mr. Reisner has already taken a lease on an office at 95 State Street and expects to have it ready to open on or about December 11.

Continuing his connection with the Daily News in Westfield, Cornelius T. McMahon of that city has opened an office and started practicing law.

No definite plans as to the future of John T. Quirk, Jr., who is now in Albany, New York, could be learned. Howard J. Cotter, a personal friend of Mr. Quirk, stated that the latter was employed by the Railroad Retirement Board, located at Albany, but that he knew nothing as to his plans.

The successful applicants were admitted to the bar at Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, before Supreme Judicial Court Justice Rohan in October of this year. Following the admission ceremonies, a reception was tendered to the newly appointed members by the Boston Council Junior Lawyers' Association at the Parker House, Boston, Massachusetts.

## JOKES

Father: "The man who marries my daughter will get a prize."

Suitor: "May I see it, please."

"I read in the paper about a guy that ran over a girl and later married her."

"Well, if everyone had to do that, there'd be a whole lot less reckless driving."

Mother: "Now Willie, I want you to go in and get acquainted with the new nurse and kiss her nicely."

Willie: "Yes, and get my face slapped like papa did."

Prof.: "Name a great time saver."

Sophomore: "Love at first sight."

## George W. Rice Shoots Deer

By Joseph Candido '44

George W. Rice, '22, Treasurer of the City of Springfield, on a recent hunting trip to New Brunswick, Canada, shot a deer with a 44 caliber pistol.

After the others had unloaded their guns a deer came in sight; Mr. Rice aimed carefully, shot, and brought it down with his trusty .44. With the expectations of getting more deer he and the hunting party ate the deer, but, alas, the others didn't materialize. Partridges were also shot by pistol instead of shotgun and used for food.

Another pleasant part of Mr. Rice's vacation was taking colored motion pictures of wildlife. Most of them came out well in spite of rainy weather. They show the setting of a bear trap, the hanging-up of deer, and living wild game. Mr. Rice will be glad to show these colored motion pictures as soon as they are all developed. "I'd rather get a picture of deer than shoot them because I can keep the picture and not the deer," said Mr. Rice.

The guides promised bear but none were seen. Deer were seen on one other occasion only but as Mr. Rice was ready to shoot, the game warden unconsciously walked between him and the deer. Had Mr. Rice shot the game warden he felt he would have been justified in doing so, but fortunately he was able to restrain himself. Four fine deer loped off into the forest.

Other local members of the hunting trip were Maurice Blaisdell and George Vassos.

## Sorry, Mr. Pond

The name of John A. Pound, Business '42, was inadvertently omitted from the dean's list printed in the last issue. Mr. Pond was also on the dean's list for 1937-38.

## The Listener-In

notices that green eyeshades seem to be very popular among the students, and wonders WHY.

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goes on record, as very much in favor of the light fixtures in Room A-11. These seem to eliminate the glare, and provide the proper amount of light.

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wonders what the reaction of the students is as to the various types of light fixtures being tried out.

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finds that parades, on the night before Primaries, do not exactly help the class in Trusts.

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has been tipped off, that the Nor'easter Staff is planning to start peeking through key holes. Better be discreet, if you have any secrets.

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would like to assure the Freshmen, that they should not be alarmed if they see some of the students wearing RED ties, and going through peculiar antics. It only happens once a year, as part of the hazing of fraternity pledges.

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wants heat in A-4! It's hard to take notes in mittens, and who can hear well thru ear muffs?

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wonders why instructors don't get tests corrected at least before the next test. The mark we get on the first might affect our method of answering the second. For example, if we want a better mark we might be more or less flippant, wordy, serious, chatty, evasive or positive.

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has been informed that Maurice Blodgett, a former Northeasternite, has established a law office in Peterborough, New Hampshire and is doing very well. In addition he is happy about this choice of a profession. The best of good wishes to you, Maurie. We miss you, but if you must be a lawyer we know you'll be a good one.



# Middlebury Spreads Some Paste

November 13, 1939

Mr. Sylvester Smith  
Appletree Farm  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Cousin Sylvester,

Once again after vice-versa all is peaceable and calm and we once more sincerely urge you to spend your vacation of the winter with us and enjoy the winter sports since it will soon be too late for the summer ones, except indoors like ping-pong and swimming which we don't have either of in our apartment, the former due to the tenants downstairs who are the landlord's nephew and wife, and the latter due to the misconstruction of apartment houses making same unfeasible for the rent we can pay.

We have not been able to urge you to come to see us daily as we have been doing in the past up to the preceding two weeks because for such mentioned period of time we have been redecorating with permission of the landlord since we do the work ourselves which takes longer and is not a good idea, except that otherwise it would not be possible to have the little home refinished on the interior so frequently.

We selected a lovely rose and cream wall paper for the living room, a golden yellow for the dining, and grey and lavender for the bedroom in an attempt to cool it down it being on the sunny side and catching the sun too early and making the room too bright in the early morning except in the rain or snow. We made our first mistake in sanding, shellacing, and varnishing the floor first thereby tracking it up and down with the shoes covered with small pieces of wall paper upon which the Grade I wallpaper paste had been applied. The other mistakes were not ours because the paper was not washable and the golden yellow turned green on washing off the excess paste which accumulated on the outside from the brush which would not keep clean even though I used seven of them, throwing each out of the window when it became sticky, and forgot where I was and threw out of the wrong window onto passersbys instead of the back porch, thereby acquiring two law-suits and getting for our landlord a bad name which he promptly turned over to us and would have requested us to move only the wallpaper looked so bad he needed your handy-man-about-the-house-cousin to re-do the job with paper which will wash, same being furnished by the wall paper company after my lawyer hired because of the brushes told me about breaching a warranty.

The case came up in the county court and we, your cousin Middlebury, and wife, Eloise, had to attend in person to explain how the back porch would have been there instead of the passersby had we been in another room instead. Arriving there in time we waited all day and then the case was dropped because our friends are the friends of the people who walked by and intercepted our flying brushes and persuaded them they owed us something for giving them free and clear without mortgage, each a scarcely used wallpaper brush.

So we are once again in our peaceful surroundings with new wallpaper and the only loss being the picture of Uncle Richard II which was flat and yellow like the paper and got papered over the second time, and six of the seven brushes because one was returned by a boy who shines shoes and didn't need another brush anyway, and anticipating your arrival soon if you do not expect too much in the way of entertainment.

Decoratively yours,

Cousin Middlebury.

## Listen, My Chillun

The kid in the sailor pants sneaked up and gave the Nor'easter, the student council, and the school in general a rousing kick in the pants this week. To wit; Miss Martha Davis threw in the towel.

According to Miss Davis, and we believe her, the work connected with these extra-curricular activities coupled with her breadwinning endeavors was more than too much.

The disappointing angle to the whole darn thing is simply this: Martha's fade-out was completely on the level, all her reasons as far as this department can find out are thoroughly on the up and up. No more romance than a dried apple. And if there is one thing this lowly ferret has to do it is to pry out romance. Out of the busy street; out of the cold rain; out of the dry spoutings of a math instructor; out of any, or out of all of these I can usually pluck a little of the softer side of life. But not a drop of moon light and roses from this cold bit of news. She just up and quit, no boy-friend, no high life, no nothing.

Not much for dragging out post-mortems, but someone ought to pat the student council on the back for the splendid job they did with the Freshman Dance. Anyone there saw history in the making. It was the first time any real school spirit has wormed its way past the ticket taker. The freshmen took it all in the right spirit. Everyone else took the spirit (cider) in the right way. I danced with a cute little lovely that some frosh brought; couldn't understand what she could see in a guy like him, so-o-o what dy'a think I did? That's exactly what I did and now we're going steady, tra-la. Well, to make a long story longer, it was a great success. Everyone had a good time; there was a fine turnout and as a result of the way the shindig was received in general, the Student Council is planning to throw another one at us along about the first week in December, so watch the board for it.

The Greeks are at it again. Fraternity

bids are out like fly specks on a mirror, and the order of the day is not who gets specked, but by whom. I suppose choosing to which one of this predatory marchers you will become a victim can be quite an important issue and should be regarded with all the import of one embarking on a long journey with unknown people.

You wouldn't want to go through life with a crowd of evil smelling bounders, would you. Well then don't go near Pi Tau Kappa. On the other hand no sensible person would want to be seen associating with that irresponsible bunch of jitter-bug screw-balls gathered under the Epsilon Phi Sigma banner. With these two out of the way, we have nothing left but the ladies auxiliary, Sigma Nu Upsilon, and the more I think it over, after taking into account the fact that after going to Northeastern for a couple of years most of us are either completely off our trolley or listing badly, I think we should take up knitting or crocheting or bridge or something, and in that way leave ourselves wide open for bids from Upsilon.

Perched like an arrogant jay, it sits. Head erect, eyes front, it stares distainfully at all who come within its spell and who of us ordinary mortals can escape its spell? Confident of the ultimate touch it gives to that which is already ultimate, the final finesse to a masterpiece of sartorial splendor, it reaps the glory of its supremacy and reigns for all to see—triumphant!

What is it? Why, the flower in the lapel of the man in the book store, Mr. Lake.

## Costigan Appointed

John W. Costigan, B. C. S. '23 has recently been appointed junior accountant in the office of the Springfield city auditor, Albert E. Neale. He will begin his new duties December 1.

Mr. Costigan topped the list in a civil service examination for the position. He is married, and has three children. His home is at 135 West Alvord Street, Springfield.

# We're Here Because-- We're Here

By Elizabeth A. Easson

"Northeastern University from the outset has been developed around the simple yet practical purpose of meeting human needs in distinctive and serviceable ways, maintaining flexibility in program and organization in order that constant adjustment could be made to changing needs." The foregoing quotation is taken from the School of Business catalog and thus states clearly and concisely the purpose of the University and sets forth the justification for its existence; namely, in meeting human needs in distinctive and serviceable ways.

Those who have been privileged to attend the university will concur that flexibility in program, if not in organization, does exist.

The enlightening article "What Is College For?" written by Dean Max McConn of Lehigh, aptly describes our school as one having the bread and butter purpose. Having recognized this as a primary purpose, the students are also united in their purpose, that of securing an education in vocational arts, to prepare themselves for "serviceable ways". Northeastern undergraduates, for the most part, work during their entire school period. They are engaged in earning a living, in preparation for a betterment of that living, and as individuals seek to contribute their services to their community and to their associates.

Because the Northeasterner is adult, the University may expect much of him and he in turn may expect much of the University. One may scan the catalogs covering the past six or seven years and find many changes in subjects offered and in new courses added. One notes changes in the students, entering at a younger age. More men, fewer women.

Yet . . . enthusiasm lessens as the term goes on . . . but it somehow grows again during the summer months and the opening of another year is looked forward to with keen anticipation. It is a cycle.

. . . one finds it difficult to trace the exact point of downswing or up turn, but it is there. Courses are entered upon eagerly, expectantly, only to be found strangely lacking. Instructors dulled, possibly, with repetitious routine . . . students, tired with the day's work and other activities, both finding it difficult to do justice to the matter in hand. A gradual dropping off, a retirement of those unable to continue. Tuition due, oh so regularly . . . reference rushes at the library . . . assignments on this and that . . . If only the Psychology course had turned out differently. . . . isn't psychology applied in many, many other places other than in industrial plants? . . . and now I know the capacity and the measurement of the capacity of a pipe . . . where did I learn that? . . . in a credit and collections course . . . and the mountains of notes in economics . . . the mysteries of statistics . . . the confusion of legal aspects. . . . and but recently the natural reflexes of goldfish as well as humans . . . and about birds, prejudices, physics, religious convictions . . . to drink or not to drink, glimpses into private lives . . . others' problems and perplexities . . . Courses and instructors commended and condemned . . . encouragement and discouragement . . . illusion and disillusionment. . . . at times a vitalizing and refreshing progress.

We're here . . . and with the end of the present road almost in view . . . one may look back to the succession of courses, instructors, acquaintances, friendships . . . and out of it find a sense of knowledge well gained . . . a quiet pride in association with others united in purpose . . . a loyalty to the school, . . . an experience in six years to serve well in the future . . .

Yes . . . we're here . . . a fact significant in itself . . . indicative of our hopes . . . and their accomplishment.

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Prof.: "In which of his battles was Alexander the Great killed."

Frosh: "I think it was his last."

# Sarnoff Lauds Evening Universities

David Sarnoff, President of the Radio Corporation of America, upon receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Science from Suffolk University at its last commencement, made several comments on evening education which are suitable for application here equally as well as they were at Suffolk.

He said in part:

"Let no man tell you that you are to be pitied because you have to work for a living while getting an education. You are fortunate, since you are combining education and wage-earning, and thus preparing yourselves for immediate advancement. The very hardships you are overcoming help to develop in you sturdiness of character, resourcefulness, persistence, and the habit of success . . .

"If education in an evening college or university can offer to you that training, it is surely worth all the self-sacrifice and all the hardship that the process entails. One of the grand things about evening education for the working man is that it develops in him a studious habit that generally persists. The mind after all is like the body itself—it thrives on exercise. A man who uses his brain a great deal finds that mental effort is no hardship to him.

"The test of such a man is not where or how he got his education, but rather what he can do with the education that he possesses. Whether his duties lie in a court of law or a research laboratory, a machine shop or an office, they are keyed to a different tempo today from what they were even a few years ago. They will be keyed to yet another only a few years hence. For ours is a changing world whose opportunities call for a vision that looks forward, not back; for minds and hearts that are dynamic, not static.

"It is a new world we live in, and one of boundless possibilities. None of you has the slightest reason to fear that all the world's pioneering work has been done. None of you need think that those who now occupy the stage have finished the

drama of world progress, have played all the parts, spoken all the lines, and left you only the chance to imitate and repeat their performance.

"We have learned to produce food, build houses, and manufacture goods with great efficiency. We have still to learn how to make these things available to all. We have shortened our hours of labor, increased our hours of leisure, and lengthened our span of life. But for millions the battle of life seems harder rather than easier. We have learned to travel swiftly, to send a whisper around the globe with the speed of light, and with the pressure of a finger to control the heating, lighting, refrigeration, and ventilation of our houses. Yet millions of our fellow men still lack the necessities of life.

"The historian of the future will measure the significance of the present period in our changing world by our ability to analyze the causes of these vital problems, and to find intelligent solutions. An age that is not afraid to accept reasonable solutions of basic problems, even if they involve change, offers to university graduates of today a unique opportunity to serve, not only themselves, but all mankind."

## Mary Foley New Editor

Mary Foley '42 was chosen editor of the *Nor'easter* at a staff meeting Monday, November 13, succeeding A. Martha Davis '42 who was obliged to give up the editorship because of the pressure of work. Miss Davis will continue to take an active interest in the paper and to contribute to it.

Miss Foley has been for two years an invaluable member of the staff. Many of the most important stories in the *Nor'easter* have been written by her. "Her diligence and enthusiasm will insure continued progress for the paper," commented Mr. C. I. Chatto, the faculty adviser.



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## Faculty Holds Two Important Meetings

The present school year has seen two important meetings of the faculty, the first a joint meeting of governors and faculty members at the Hotel Stonehaven, on November 15, 1939, and the second in Room B6 on January 3, 1940, at which Vice-President Everett Churchill was the principal speaker. He briefly outlined the qualities of a good teacher, some of which are: thorough knowledge of his subject, clear understanding of the university as a whole, carefully planning his lessons, and stimulating the student's desire to learn for himself. Qualities desired by students in teachers include knowledge of the subject, pleasing personality, neatness, fairness, sympathy, humor, interest in profession, alertness, and broadmindedness.

Another speaker was Director John D. Churchill who said, "a teacher must be larger than his classroom." He suggested that faculty members consult folders in the office for complete information about their students. Dean S. K. Schofield of the Law School said a few words about classes and Dean Russell Whitney spoke on turning in grades and reports promptly.

### November Meeting

The theme of the November meeting was largely the history of Springfield Northeastern, from its beginnings in 1919 to the present day. Among the speakers were Robert R. Emerson '23, chairman of the board of governors, Associate Dean Horace J. Rice, Associate Dean Guy D. Miller, Mr. Fred W. Hutchinson, Mr. George E. Williamson, former chairman of the board of governors, Mr. Charles E. Lee, Director John D. Churchill, Vice-President Everett Churchill, and Mr. Gerald J. Callahan.

Following are some of the facts brought out about the Springfield Division of Northeastern:

The Division had three temporary directors during the first year of its existence, Mr. Raymond E. Merrill, Mr. William F. H. Breeze, and Mr. Frederick A. Calkin. The present director came in November, 1920.

The first commencement was held June 14, 1922, when thirteen graduates received their diplomas. The first woman graduate, the late Agnes A. Ransom, was graduated in 1923.

The enrollment has grown from 85 in 1919-20 to about 630 in 1939-40, and the three programs of Law, Accounting and Business Administration of the early days have increased to six, five college curricula and a pre-college course. Addition to the Y. M. C. A. building in 1930 provided needed space, but the continued growth of the school long ago made even that extra room inadequate. "Our space" said Director Churchill, "is a bee-hive of activity." During the construction period classes met at Classical High School.

At the eighteen Commencement ceremonies of Springfield Northeastern 499 degrees and 63 special certificates have been awarded. The School of Law has graduated 220, the School of Business 259, Engineering and Business 19, and one degree of Master of Business Administration has been awarded.

Many Springfield Northeastern graduates have distinguished themselves in business, in the professions, and in public affairs. It is hoped that an alumni directory listing the achievements of graduates may soon be published.

## Fraternity Initiates

EΦΣ Fraternity held an informal initiation of new members on Friday evening, December 1, and a formal initiation on Saturday, December 2, 1939 at the Hotel Kimball. Interesting as well as educational movies of the International Iceberg Patrol were shown, accompanied by a lecture covering the trip by Mr. Raiche. It was interesting to notice that there were a large number of Alumni present. The movies which were taken at the initiation, will be shown at a meeting, of members only, on Thursday, January 18, 1940.

## President Speare Explains New Job

Dr. Frank Palmer Speare, founder and president of Northeastern University, has been named by Governor Saltonstall as a member of the recess commission that will study old-age assistance. He will take the place of James Jackson, who resigned because of ill-health.

Dr. Speare was born in 1869, graduated from Bridgewater State Teachers' college in 1889, and received a M.H. (Master of Humanities) degree from Harvard University. He established Northeastern College in 1916. The name of the school was changed to Northeastern University in 1923. Dr. Speare will retire as president of Northeastern at the end of the present session.

In a letter to a Nor'easter staff member, he graciously explains his new duties:

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"I shall be glad to answer your questions of January second in regard to my recent appointment by Governor Saltonstall.

"The name of the organization is the Commission on the Study of Old Age Assistance. The members include Senator James A. Gunn, Chairman; Andrew F. Carlin, Adolph Johnson, Joseph H. Downey, Members of the House; Mabel C. Batchelder, Richard K. Conant, Frank P. Speare, Appointed by the Governor; and William F. Furbush, Secretary.

"The purpose of this commission is to survey the present legislation and its effectiveness; to study the legislation adopted by other states, considering the helpfulness of their experiences to Massachusetts; to study how the funds, which will be made available, should be distributed; to make certain recommendations regarding the eligibility of various classes and the age when the fund should become available; and to make suggestions as to how this fund should be administered, giving special attention to the feasibility of having it operated by existing facilities or of creating new facilities.

"The commission meets on call to consider these matters in executive sessions. A series of regional meetings, which have proved exceptionally interesting, are being held at strategic points in the state. During these meetings, local people and groups interested in the project are invited to express their convictions and to make suggestions to the commission.

"My past experience should be helpful as I have been engaged in adult education for nearly forty-five years. I have come in direct contact with tens of thousands of adults, both men and women, and am familiar with their problems. It was felt that my experience in this field being non-political and non-sectarian would contribute towards the solution of this tremendous problem which is of vital importance to every intelligent and discriminating citizen.

"May I extend my best wishes for your success not only in your "paper" but in any work you undertake in the years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Frank P. Speare,  
President.

## Mr. Brown Gets Train For Christmas

Professor Dave Brown was presented with a mechanical toy train, one engine and three cars complete with tracks by his Economics 9 class before Christmas, to show their appreciation of his expert knowledge of railroad economics.

It was laid out upon his desk and neatly camouflaged by a sheet of paper. Professor Brown removed the paper and discovered he had become owner of the New York Central. He was "so overcome with joy that he didn't know what he was doing." He said, "Who said there's no Santa Claus," as he gave a joyous exclamation of gratitude. He invited anyone to ride on it or play with it and wanted to sell stock.

"How much per share?" someone asked.

Oh yes, a card was lying on the desk, reading, "Merry Xmas, Compliments of the New York Central."

Several visitors, including Director John Churchill, came in to inspect the new railroad during recess.

Boogy—I never argue with my wife.

Woogy—Same here. I always plead guilty and take a light sentence.

Oswald—Pop, I need an encyclopedia for school.

Pop—Nothing doing! You can walk to school like I did.

## Sorority Considers National Affiliation

On Friday evening, January 5, 1940, Miss Gertrude Bonholzer of Dayton, Ohio, National Organizer of Iota Tau Lambda, and Miss Muriel Collie of Worcester, Massachusetts, National President of that sorority, presented to Director John D. Churchill and to the officers and representatives of the Sigma Nu Upsilon alumni a plan for national affiliation. The dinner meeting was held at the Hotel Stonehaven.

Miss Bonholzer is a practicing attorney in Dayton. She also is an accountant, auditor, tax expert, and parliamentarian. She is a past national president of Iota Tau Lambda and now holds the very responsible position of National Organizer which necessitates her traveling from city to city in an effort to persuade the sororities of colleges connected with the Y. M. C. A. to affiliate with Iota Tau Lambda. Worcester Northeastern's sorority has already become affiliated and the National President at the present time, Miss Muriel Collie, is a graduate of Worcester Northeastern. Only Thursday evening, January 4, Miss Bonholzer and Miss Collie installed a chapter at Hartford, Connecticut.

The national organization was born at Columbus, Ohio, during 1930. It was connected with Franklin University. Originating as a business sorority, the plan was changed to admit law students also. The sorority branched to St. Louis, Cleveland, Dayton, where it has two chapters, Worcester, Massachusetts, and finally to Hartford, Connecticut.

The aims of the national sorority are self improvement, service, betterment of the school, and fellowship. The requirements set out for membership are more or less rigid, although the national by-laws are flexible enough to allow changes necessitated by local conditions. Surprisingly enough, dues in the organization are low, particularly when one stops to consider the advantages, such as the sense of security when traveling through the cities where there is a sister chapter.

At Dayton, Iota Tau Lambda has had some definite objectives which have been carried out. The Dayton school is the Dayton Junior College and Commerce School. At the beginning of each new year, the members act as hostesses to greet the new girls and also the men students and introduce them to the instructors. About one month or six weeks after the opening of school, the sorority gives a tea to which all women students, the faculty, and their wives are invited. This all results in an increase in fellowship and sociability in the school. They very successfully run after school dances, charging only ten cents per person and serving light refreshments. The dances are open to members of the school only, but the number of women students in the Dayton school is about 350. They strive to bring good speakers and lecturers to the school and like most every other sorority in the country, they have one formal dance a year.

In the course of her very clever and witty sales talk, Miss Muriel Collie stated that because the world is changing from day to day an ever growing contact of friends is vitally important to everyone. The National organization, Iota Tau Lambda, will hold its annual convention with the Worcester club in 1940, but the plan is that all activities will take place in a hotel on the Massachusetts coast, to be announced later. Miss Collie further stated that we certainly should become a chapter so that we could come down to the convention and enjoy the beans with the rest of the sisters.

The plans will be laid before the members of the sorority at its next meeting, which will be the latter part of this month, and Miss Collie has promised to return to Springfield at the time of that meeting to again display her sales ability in an effort to complete the affiliation plans. Notice of this meeting, which will be of great importance to all student and alumni

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## Student Council Doings

### WE HAVE A DANCE

One hundred and fifty young swains swung an equal number of blushing maids in gay abandon to the tune of "Pop Goes the Weasel" at the annual student-faculty dance, currently known as the surprise hop and carried off in magnificent fashion by the student council at the Longmeadow Community House on the night of Dec. 9.

The old fashioned dance was the high point of the evening and a general swapping of partners followed by refreshments rounded out a thoroughly grand event.

The council wishes to thank the faculty members that attended: Mr. and Mrs. Chatto; Mr. and Mrs. Tanner; Mr. and Mrs. Blomfield; Mr. and Mrs. Parmenter; Mr. and Mrs. Torrey.

The fine cooperating spirit of these instructors and their charming wives has done much toward encouraging us to make this affair an annual one where students and faculty can get together in an informal way.

The Council members receiving the plaudits for this success are: Ed. Hachidourian; Larry Brunderet; Bill Sleith; Don Graves; Jean Jenness; Dave Tilden.

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### SPUR BUILDS A DAM

Caisons were sunk, coffer dams were built, sluicing troughs were erected, and Boston drank water. Our own genial,

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members of Sigma Nu Upsilon will be posted.

Those members of the sorority who attended the dinner meeting, as guests of Mr. Churchill, were Miss Frances Bryant, president; Miss Mary Huiley, vice-president; Miss Mary K. Foley, secretary, Miss Elizabeth Abihider, treasurer; Miss Betty Easson, Mrs. Violet Vester, and Miss Ada B. Tingley, a graduate of '27 and now one of the leading women underwriters in this city.

accurate, patient Mr. Spur erected a dam for all to see in room B5 on December 14 and a strong defiant dam it was too. Mr. Spur took over a hundred souls through the intricacies of the Windsor dam project or according to Mr. Norman Hall the "Dam" Windsor project. We watched the coffer dam go up; a magnificent engineering feat in itself. We saw movies of the caissons being sunk, of the huge sluicing operations used in filling the core of the dam. In a brief, concise lecture, we heard of the extensive exploration work that was done prior to the actual work on the dam, which, incidentally, is one of the largest earth-fill dams in the east.

The council takes this opportunity to publicly thank Mr. Spur and also Mr. Norman Hall, who assisted Mr. Spur with the movies, for a thoroughly enjoyable and most instructive evening.

Students who are passing up these lectures sponsored by the council are letting a vital part of their year's education go down the drain.

Jean Jenness had charge of this affair—Thanks Jean.

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### BROOKS LECTURES JANUARY 23

Our own genial and popular Mr. Clarence R. Brooks, instructor of habeus corpus technique and other parts of the first part, will deliver a dissertation on law Tuesday, January 23, at 9:15 P. M. in room B5.

Mr. Brooks promises not to use any "parties of the first part" and in general will keep the entire evening on a non-technical footing where we common rabble can enjoy it.

The talk will consist, I think, chiefly of the human experiences of Mr. Brooks in law practice, and we heartily recommend it as an entertaining as well as an instructive affair for all Northeastern men and women. Joe Stothert and Don Graves are handling this one.

# Listen, My Chillun

By Uncle Jan Jameson

Now that Christmas, New Year's and the subsequent revelry have slipped somewhat noisily into the limbo of things well done, thank God; I think we can all toast the coming year as well as the coming semester with a cup brimful of earnest, studious endeavor. Make mine a Bromo.

There's nothing like a good two weeks' vacation to disrupt every fine and noble thing about a naturally base-adhering character. Every single virtue, from temperance to my devotion to economics, fell with feet of clay before the vicious onslaught of those two aimless weeks. Like a tiny twig caught in a swirling backwater, I was thrilled, buoyant, with the apparent freedom of my days and of my nights. Long, endless hours to be spent in a thousand endless ways, old friends to be looked-up; new friends to be found. Laughingly gay, as heady as good wine, those two weeks loomed large and enticing before my book-weary eyes.

All this just three short weeks ago. And now, yes, and now what? Did someone say a toast? A toast it is. To the thing whatever it is or to the persons whoever they are that make places like NORTH-EASTERN possible.

To be back once more in the academic groove, to cut no more rugs, no longer to watch the gradual paling of shallow pleasures, to be out of the backwater and into the swiftly moving stream of life; my vacation was a glorious one, I renewed old friendships, I made new ones, I did a thousand things in a thousand and one ways, but just between you and me, I'm glad to be back.

**PROBABLY** the greatest single smurph of hypocrisy that ever cut a groove across the placidity of a truth-seeking people is none other than our snow-white, wind-swept winter sports. But let me tell you the story.

Curious, and I might say, even eager, to learn what potent charm the playground of ice and snow so held for its addicts, that it drew them out in multitudes even

when the fickle mercury plumbed the depths of animal endurance; I took myself one starlit winter night to our own Porter Lake. A simple soul at heart and somewhat more guillible than the average, my thoughts as I approached the pond were that there was perhaps some magic lure to blades flashing on crystal ice, that the tang of crisp air biting at your cheeks and the white winter moon as it made darting shadows of the skaters gave a new thrill that perhaps I, too, might share.

I found the benches and the lodge a breathless mob of anxious, eager young men and women. I was carried away by their enthusiasm. I could hardly wait.

However, after circling the pond several times and discovering that blades didn't flash, that they really had to be pushed and most laboriously pushed too I became aware of a great many skaters hieing off to the upper reaches of the pond. Not to be outdone on any score I took out in that direction. The darkness was thicker here and the moon as it came through the tall firs on the lakeside threw grotesque patterns on the ice. It was much quieter, nothing but the muted murmur of a soft wind. I came slowly around a sharp bay of trees that jutted out onto the white ice and then it happened.

Suddenly like a light exploding in the darkness I knew why skating was popular. In tiny coves, in little inlets, in the open and in the dark, everywhere; with arms entwined, solemn voices whispering solemn vows: there were the answers to my question; hundreds of romancing Romeos and Juliets. And not an extra girl in sight, damn it.

Skiing is another travesty on the truth. They dress in expensive clothes and make a lot of hubbub about the thrill of an Immelman turn. But that's another story. Remind me to tell you next month about the time I boarded a ski train and met the greatest bunch of out and out fakers this side of Brooklyn.

Ruth—Has anything ever been discovered on Venus?

Harry—No, not unless the pictures of her are fakes.

## Northeastern Notables

Meet **David E. Tilden**, Class of 1941.

"Dave", as he wishes to be called, is a resident of Springfield. He is thirty years old, is happily married and has a son a year and a half old.

He was graduated from Technical High School in 1927, and at present is the supervising machinist at the Standard Electric Time Company.

At Northeastern, Mr. Tilden is studying Accounting, and plans to take the C. P. A. examination to qualify himself for executive leadership in business management. Last year he was Student Council president, and this year is vice-president of the organization. He is also a part-time custodian of our school library, where he welcomes all students who desire to come in and get acquainted with him as well as the facilities of our reference shelves.

To Mr. Tilden we owe a vote of thanks for starting and supporting the campaign for better lighting in the classrooms, which is beginning to show results.

Bowling is his favorite form of recreation. His only hobby is the reading and studying of current findings in scientific

research.

To all students, and especially to the new ones, Dave says, "To make friends be a friend; never say quit, and most important, remember: For success and happiness, there is always room for more knowledge."

Dave, like all loyal students of the University, looks forward to the day when Northeastern will have the finer facilities which its high educational standards deserve.

**Miss Frances Bryant** was born in Monson and later moved to Springfield. She graduated from the High School of Commerce and later entered Northeastern as a law student. After graduating in June she intends to take the Massachusetts Bar Exams. She served as Secretary of the ΣΝΥ Sorority for one term. Last year she was elected president. Starting as a clerk in the Policy Dept. at the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co., she later was promoted to the Law Department as a secretary. She finds that her law training is valuable in her work.

### THREE LITTLE DIGS

Take your dwindling  
Cash and lock it  
Deep within an  
Inside pocket.

Avoid the bursar  
And beware  
The little bill  
That's always there.

And thus a great  
Expense you'll stop  
Tho' your career  
Goes chop chop chop—

Too bad—Oh, you do  
Care a fig?  
Well, all right, then;  
**DIG, DIG, DIG!!!**

State of Success  
Education Road  
January, 1940

Mr. Student  
N. U. Campus

Dear Student:

We are entering into the late innings.

Shall it be a homer or an out?

After all isn't education as fascinating a game as baseball?

Why not start this inning with a hit by batting a few A.'s and B.'s right back at the next exams, and nullify those feeble bunts of the previous tests?

Don't be caught napping or unprepared! Make it a clean hit ball to higher marks. Sweep the office right off its feet. They'll love it, and—you'll come out on top if you do.

Thanks! Very truly yours,

Edmond McNamara

## Staff Announced

The launching of a new year brings a desire for more knowledge. Isn't this an opportune time to acquaint you with the background and make-up of your paper?

The two guiding personalities are Mr. Clarence Chatto, faculty adviser, and Miss Mary K. Foley, editor-in-chief. Around this nucleus is a mixed staff of veteran and novice reporters.

The experienced members such as William Sleith, Eloi Laramée, Joseph Candido, Joseph Stothert, and Maurice Baitler keep the paper on its fixed course of "reader interest". The three newcomers are Miss Frances Young, Edmond McNamara, and Roger Sullivan.

This introduction to staff members would seem incomplete without mentioning the persons responsible for the paper's beginning.

Aristotle once said, "The beginning is something that nothing can come before."

The first man responsible for the first "Nor'easter" is Mr. Hamilton Torrey. He and Miss Martha Davis, realizing one of the school's greatest needs, established your present paper. Their successful beginning can be adequately measured by a consensus of the various faculty advisers at a recent meeting in Worcester.

There the "Nor'easter" was considered the best paper published by Northeastern's branches.

## Sorority Initiates

Three new members were initiated into Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority at its annual initiation banquet held in the Coral room of the Hotel Stonehaven on Saturday evening, November 25, 1939.

Elizabeth Brainard of Thompsonville, Jean Cameron of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, and Dorothy Porter, Springfield, Massachusetts, were the candidates who endured the initiatory rites.

The committee in charge of arrangements and induction ceremonies consisted of Elizabeth Eason, chairman, Eunice Donovan, and Muriel Streeter. Frances Bryant, president of Sigma Nu Upsilon, served as toastmistress during the dinner.

## Ten Year Resolutions

Coming down in an elevator of one of our leading office buildings just this past week, I overheard one insurance man telling another of a very important speaker at one of their big meetings in New York. He said, "You know he described 1930 to 1939 inclusive as the 'terrible 30s'." The other with a woe-be-gone expression on his face commented that that accounted for his very meager income from commissions. "That may be so," said the other, "but the speaker further said that 1940 was the logical time for business to boom."

Why, if 1940 is the logical time for business to boom, wouldn't it, the beginning of a new decade, be the opportune time for every one of us to take a mental inventory of ourselves and to make our resolutions. By resolutions, I mean lasting and definite ones, not ones that even before 1940 is one quarter through will be broken and forgotten. At the stage of maturity at which most of us have arrived, we could well afford to make resolutions applicable to the decade rather than to the year, resolutions which undoubtedly would be of definitely greater value to us for years to come than the petty resolutions of former years which have struggled up and down for recognition as the weeks went by.

A little honest reflection on our accomplishments during the "terrible 30s" might make the plan set up for this new decade bound to bring results.

Father—Son, I want to talk to you. Your report shows you are not doing so well in class. You must do better this month.

Son—But dad, my grades are passing—although they are a little under water.

Father—What do you mean "under water"?

Son—Below "C" level.

Housewife—Did you ever do a good day's work in your life?

Man-at-the-door—Do you mean all together or just at one time?



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### MRS. LEONE CHURCHILL

On the twenty-ninth day of January, 1940, out of the world of Springfield Northeastern passed a lovely lady and a loyal friend. To those of us who knew her, Mrs. Churchill was all there is of charm and graciousness, lending herself eagerly to all Northeastern activities, each of which was better for her presence.

For the empty space in the heart of him who is so dear to all of us, we extend our deepest sympathy, and to the memory of our dear friend whose passing leaves a void in our midst, we dedicate this issue of our paper.

## Northeastern Extends Sympathy

On behalf of the faculty and student body, the staff of the Nor'easter extends sincere sympathy to Mr. John D. Churchill, director of Northeastern university, Springfield division, and to his son and daughter, because of the death of Mrs. Leone Churchill at the Wesson Memorial Hospital on Monday, January 29, 1940.

Mrs. Churchill resided in Longmeadow for the past fifteen years and was a member of old North church of Springfield.

She graduated from the Jordan high school at Lewiston, Maine, attended the Sargent school, now a part of Boston University, and was for a time a teacher.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Churchill is survived by a son, Deane G. Churchill of Longmeadow, a student at Bates college; and a daughter, Jacqueline Leone Churchill of Longmeadow, a student at Classical high school of Springfield.

## Easson Heads Sorority

ΣNY held its annual meeting and election of officers in the club room, Thursday evening, February 1. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: Betty Easson, president; Louise Kennedy, vice president; Jean MacPhaul, secretary; and Elizabeth Abihider, treasurer. While members of the standing committees, membership and entertainment, are usually appointed at the annual meeting, Betty Easson stated that she preferred to study over the membership and apportion the work for the coming year among the members of the sorority. Names of the appointees will be available for publication later.

Through the untiring efforts of Elizabeth Abihider the sorority club room has been completely renovated. ΣNY will stand one-half of the expense involved and the university will cover the balance. To accompany the newly beautified quarters, the girls decided to purchase dishes for use at social gatherings in the school. The possibility of renting the dishes to other organized societies within the school was discussed.

The meeting also resulted in the raising of the club dues, the changing of the date for the initiation (to be held in February each year) and the decision to admit special students to the sorority.

Although representatives of ΣNY greatly enjoyed their meeting with Miss Gertrude Bonholzer, National Organizer, and Miss Muriel Collie, National President, of Iota Tau Lambda on January 5 at the Hotel Sheraton, and with Miss Collie again on January 26 in the club room, the members returned a unanimously negative decision to the query, "Shall we affiliate nationally?" The unfavorable decision was to go forward to the National Organizer and National President with the request that should the sorority later decide to affiliate it may again take up the option.

## Kappas Dance

The attractive Mountain Laurel Inn with its pleasant knotty pine interior was the scene of Pi Tau Kappa's fifth annual formal dinner dance which was held on Saturday evening, February 17. A delectable full-course steak dinner was served the 104 brothers and guests who attended, by Hugo, our genial host. After dinner President Ernest Swanson greeted the guests and introduced Harry Nystrom, Vice President of ΕΦΣ fraternity, to the brothers and guests of ΠTK. Harry delivered good wishes from his brotherhood.

Dancing to the syncopated melodies of Norman Temple's music was enjoyed.

President Ernest Swanson and his social committee deserve an orchid apiece for their fine work in making this affair the success that it was.

The social committee: Ernest C. Swanson, President, Laurence F. Brundrett, J. Raymond Lester, Kenneth Van Wart, Charles H. Frueh.

## Tesoro Re-elected

Emanuel Tesoro was unanimously re-elected president of the senior class at a recent meeting in room B5. Mr. Tesoro is a graduate of the High School of Commerce and is employed in the investment department at the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Other officers elected are Francis Bryant, vice-president; Harold Murphy, secretary; and Sager T. McDonald, sergeant-at-arms. Among the subjects brought up were plans for graduation. The Cap and Gowns committee consist of Seymour Harris and Adolph Yodowski. In charge of social events are Morris Learner, Thomas Bennett, and David Turnbull. Frank Hegarty is handling the gift problem.

Dolceni—Does your wife darn your socks?

Palmetto—Sometimes she uses stronger language than that about them.

## Thrown for a Loss

Looking backward to September 25 I recall my first night here at school. When the nine o'clock bell rang, I, along with scores of other students, made a mad rush to get my coat.

As I attempted to enter the coat room, some rugged individual blocked me with all the vigor and finesse of an all-American fullback. I was stunned, but I struggled onward. Before I had taken three steps an elbow hit me in the eye. As I clutched my eye to avoid further damage to the optic, a foot caught me in the stomach, and I reeled backward like a punch-drunk guard. I had lost all the ground I previously made.

So this was the way they wanted to play!

I backed up two steps, lowered my head, and went charging into a line of opponents. Step by step I fought and smashed my way through until I was just inches from the touchdown stripe, my coat.

Then Bang! Crash! Darkness came.

When dawn arrived, I was staring up into the face of a towering giant who caustically remarked, "Where are you going, Mickey Mouse?"

As I rubbed my eyes and shook my aching head back to consciousness I discovered that what I had thought was a giant was only the looming end of the coat rack. Retrieving my trampled coat and my battered hat, humbled and shamed, I dragged my broken body out of the now deserted room.

Four months have passed since then. I am now wise to all the tricks of retrieving my coat after class. However, something must be done about this sad situation before the freshmen come in next fall.

Did someone suggest a larger cloak-room? Heavens, no! Who would be so brazen as to suggest that? What we really need is a first-aid dispensary, more weight in the line, and a new set of signals.

## Dr. Anderson Gaining

We are glad to hear that Dr. Luther Anderson, instructor in business management, who underwent an emergency appendicitis operation February 5, is recovering from the operation and the serious complications which followed.

Until he returns to school, he will be missed greatly by the students who have come to know and respect him for his ready humor, vivacious lectures, and friendly understanding of students.

## Aalto Leads Bowlers

Under the guidance of co-directors Winnie Larson and Stuart McClenaghan, IITK brothers have enjoyed bowling every Thursday night after class at the new Paradise Alleys on Chestnut Street. In fifteen strings Tommy Aalto has compiled a fine average of 97.5, good in any league, to take the lead in the department. Closely followed by Tom's is Franklin Ferguson's average of 97, for twenty-two strings. Fergie has also bowled the high single string of 134, which at present appears to be tops for the season.

The top ten bowlers and their averages:

T. Aalto, 97.5; F. Ferguson, 97.0; S. McClenaghan, 91.3; E. Cascio, 88.6; K. Van Wart, 88.3; G. Knight, 88.0; H. Le Duc, 87.2; E. Swanson, 87.0; E. Wood, 86.2, and W. Larson, 86.2.

The old one-two IITK knockout punch was recently delivered in Longmeadow. Number one has jovial Herb Suhm becoming, "Papa Herbie" of bouncing baby Barbara Ellen Suhm. Number two has our dignified treasurer, Deane Clark, winning the nomination for town Auditor.

Sonny—Say, Dad, what does argument pro and con mean?

Dad—Well, my boy, pro is your convincing and unanswerable statement while the con is the contemptible dribble of the other fellow.



# Listen, My Chillun

By Uncle Jan Jameson

Snuggled cosily in between the Ides of March and Fools day, is what usually turns out to be the blowout of the year in Northeastern circles. Equate that to zero and factor; and you get the Annual Dinner Dance on March 30 at the Hotel Kimball.

The Student Council manages the affair in something of a very very grand manner . . . without thought of expense. . . . the food . . . the music . . . the layout . . . the best that can be had.

The tickets are expected to be down to rock bottom . . . the dress . . . informal, which means if you have a tux wear it. . . . if not—well anything—but don't wear a sweater.

Drums along the corridor . . . shades of Sam Adams and Robert E. Lee. It's a revolution and nothing less. The rebels (they're always rebels until they win and then they're the men who dared to fight for their freedom) anyway, the rebels are shooting at a bright but distant star and their aim is stymied in a dozen places by such a formidable array of opposition as would have made the doughty Sam Adams, himself, resigned to the fate of remaining a loyal subject.

From what can be gathered from side-long glances and whispers that pass in the night they're marching to throw off the yoke of our foster mother, none other than the Y. M. C. A.

Their battle cry is: a school building of our own, perhaps even a campus, a full-fledged, bonafide, died in the wool university . . . free of entangling alliances. . . . no more to be battered from pillar to post in rented rooms. All of which smacks strongly of treason and they'll probably make the most of it.

The whole thing is reported to have been propagated from the alumnae side of the fence and with our elder brothers behind the lines, who knows, we may have a new order of things, at that.

Wrath from the Grapes . . . A book review

I just finished two chapters of that famous novel and best seller—"The Grapes Of Wrath" . . . and now I think I'll take a bath . . . or at least wash my mouth out. The story deals with the extreme in . . . poverty . . . misfortune . . . and filth . . . all magnified to the Nth degree.

Written with something of a communistic direction it purports to expose a great wrong . . . and succeeds to the extent that the reader is left with the impression that all organized society is cruel and all other society is evil.

The book has supplanted "Gone With the Wind" as the book pour la femme of the times . . . and definitely to be read. . . . that it will remain for some time in this cherished position is evidenced by the fact that every other maid and madame in Springfield has her name on a lending-library waiting list. And until somebody succeeds in putting a greater amount of repulsive ooze between two covers, I'm of the opinion that they'll continue waiting for it.

The best I can say for Steinbeck's masterpiece is that for anyone who likes his reading trashy this is the ideal answer . . . it furnishes its own excuse . . . you can always say you were interested in the problems of the migratory worker.

All of this must be very disconcerting to Steinbeck.

## He Must Be A Republican

The class in Advanced English was discussing exposition the other night and trying to find suitable subjects for an 800-word theme. Several topics were mentioned, among them The Roosevelt Administration. Objection was raised to this subject, however, on the ground that exposition is explanation, and, as the instructor naively remarked, "The Roosevelt Administration is something you can't explain."

## Competition

The businessman's adage that "competition benefits a third party more than either of the parties concerned" shows a bit of truth in a present incident at North-eastern.

Edward Malerba, an industrious student in Dr. Luther Anderson's class in Business management, was assigned a topic to discuss in class. Not satisfied with displaying his lecturing ability in an ordinary manner, he borrowed machines and materials from his employer and brought them into class to supplement his talk with first hand demonstrations of paper testing.

But wait! Paul C. Thelig had already chosen a closely related subject to talk on the following week. He tried in vain to discourage the first speaker in the use of machines for demonstrations, arguing that it would make his speech seem repetitious and uninteresting. But speaker number one maintained that it was every man for himself, and wouldn't change his plans.

Speaker number two accepted the challenge. After receiving permission from his employer, he invited the entire class to inspect "his" plant in operation. "His" plant incidentally was the Strathmore Paper Mills in West Springfield. The class joyfully accepted the invitation, of course with the permission of the University authorities.

Class met at 7 o'clock in the salesman's room at the mill. After the roll was called, the students went on a tour of the plant, which lasted about two hours. The steps in the manufacturing of paper were seen from beginning to end, and a discussion followed. To the accompaniment of chews and gulps of assorted candies, supplied by the host, questions were asked and answered. Dr. Anderson and inquisitive Mr. Malerba (speaker number one) monopolized the discussion, and the other students squeezed in a query when they got a chance.

On the whole, it was a pleasant way of

## Ad-Lib Invites

"AD-LIB" is a club formed for the purpose of stimulating the discussion of national and international topics of the day. The members debate such questions as:

Should Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain send over material aid to embattled Finland? How long will the Finns hold out? Shall we balance the budget Senator Taft's way—tearing the old budget and making a new one by wielding a ruthless pruning knife? How effective is the Allied Blockade?

Members who read articles or books on either national or international affairs give oral reports on what they have read. All students interested in becoming members are welcome at the meetings. They will find a sympathetic audience and an opportunity to make new friends.

Watch the bulletin board for the date of the next meeting.

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## Kimball Opens Law Office

Edward J. Kimball recently opened a law office at 1421 main Street. He was graduated from Classical High school and Northeastern University Law School, Springfield Division. Having passed the bar examination last October 25, he became associated with Attorney Samuel L. Fein. Nor'easter wishes him good luck in his legal endeavors.

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holding class. If you want to know if they benefited from the experience, ask Mr. Chatto. When he passed out paper for a quiz in English the following Friday night, almost as a whole, the class held the paper up to the light, to see if they could find a water mark.

As proof of the opening statement, a third party, the class, gained the most from the competition of two students. Let's have more competitive spirit. We rather enjoy it.

## The Listener In

extends heartfelt sympathy to our Director, Mr. John Churchill and his family, for their recent bereavement.

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would like to see that the young boys are curbed who run up and down the halls and stairways from the Y. M. C. A. while classes are in session. It is very disturbing, especially on Wednesday evenings in A-4.

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understands that ΕΦΣ had a large turnout at their dance on Saturday, February 3, at the Kimball.

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wonders what is being done about increasing the number of volumes in our Law library so as to help in making it possible for Springfield Northeastern to be on the list of Law Schools accredited by the American Bar Association.

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notes with satisfaction that the lighting has been improved considerably in those rooms which have new fixtures. Keep up the good work.

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is interested in knowing why Mr. Brooks' lecture was not given. Talks by our instructors from each branch in the school would be very educational as well as enlightening to all of us.

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envies those fortunate few who can get enough money together to take a trip to Florida during the school year.

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would like to see a set of Scott's Works on Trusts in the Law Library.

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While giving an important test Wednesday night, Mr. Gilbert Walker, the instructor, continually paced the floor and seemed more worried than any of the students, under pressure. The reason: Too many glimpses through the window at our recent blizzard. How would he get home to Wilbraham if at all?

## Epsilons Bowl

Capt. "Mike" Rybach had his ΕΦΣ bowlers rolling at a great clip at the Paradise Alleys on Chestnut Street Monday night, February 5. Thomas Clancy, Edward Brys, Robert Matthews, Joseph Candido, and Len Bannon were the bowlers.

Two "practice" strings were bowled to determine the relative pairings for a match between members. The scores:

Tom Clancy	92, 87
Capt. Mike Rybach	76, 106
Ed Brys	96, 77
Bob Matthews	82, 75

An added incentive—losers to buy Coco Colas for the winners, lured these thirsty bowlers.

The pairings for the next two strings were:

Capt. Rybach	80, 96
Ed Brys	95, 103
Joe Candido	93, 75

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Len Bannon	77, 87
Tom Clancy	87, 80
Bob Matthews	78, 87

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	242 254

The figures show who bought the "cokes".

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When President Coolidge's son started work in a tobacco field, a fellow worker said, "If my father were president, I wouldn't work on a tobacco field."

To which young Coolidge replied: "You would if my father were your father."

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Rescuer—How was it that you came to fall in?

Rescued—I didn't come to fall in at all. I came to skate.

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Junior—My, what a pretty new coed we have this term—is she going out for athletics?

Soph—No. Athletes.

## Northeastern Notables

In the hustle-bustle of evening class work, we sometimes don't get the opportunity to become acquainted with some of the more active members of the school. Such a member is Miss Elizabeth A. Easson, student of Business in the class of '41.

Disliking formality, Miss Easson wishes to be known as "Betty"—So—allow me to introduce Betty Easson.

After graduating as a three-year honor student from Somerville High School, Somerville, Mass., in 1926, Betty moved to Springfield.

While Betty's days are spent as a book-keeper for a local Dentist's and Surgeon's Supply House, her evenings are taken up at furthering her education. She entered Northeastern in 1932 and after three years, decided that she wanted a degree, so she changed her course and will graduate in 1941 after 9 years of hard work. This should inspire those students who think six years is a frightfully long time. Betty says she really hasn't noticed the time passing and her schooling has benefited her immensely in her work.

For the past three years Betty has been a member of the Student Council, being secretary in '38-'39. Two years ago she was elected treasurer of the ΣNY sorority, and this year she is its president. On occasions Betty has contributed to this publication.

For exercise, Betty loves golf, having a average score of —?— secret. She is an ardent devotee of concerts and plays, and she has even written three plays herself, two of which have been produced. Should you get stuck for a line of sentiment sometime, don't forget—Betty also writes poetry.

Betty says 'I'm looking to the future with high hopes.' We know Betty's hopes will materialize because anyone who works as hard and as diligently as she, cannot help but be successful and happy.

"Make it gentle" pleaded Emanuel Tesoro, newly elected president of the Senior class, when he was interviewed last week for the Nor'easter. So please on Emanuel's behalf dim the lights and read the rest of the article to yourself.

Emanuel is a local boy born in East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, in 1915. He received his education in the Springfield schools. He was graduated from the High School of Commerce in January, 1933. At present he is a student in the Accounting Division of the School of Business. At one time he was secretary of ΠTK and was a member of the **victorious** bowling team of the fraternity. Emanuel is employed in the Mortgage Loan Department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. For relaxation, he enjoys golf, tennis and that typical male pastime—fishing.

We wish Emanuel the very best of luck as president of the Senior class and success in his future work.

## Class of '44 Holds Caucus

The class of '44 recently held a caucus in room B6 for the purpose of choosing officers. Many members of the class desire to have a general get-together while the class is still relatively large. Joseph Candido assumed the initiative.

Joseph Curran was chosen temporary chairman. Plans for electing officers were suggested and the one accepted is that a ballot be given to each member of the class on any night he attends school during the week of February 19-24. Offices open are president, vice-president, and secretary.

Harriet—In case one of your members gets married, does your bachelor club prescribe a penalty?

Frank—Oh, no! His punishment is severe enough without prescribing more.



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"Men were born for  
the service and bene-  
fit of each other."

---Marcus Aurelius

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## Council Sponsors Dinner Dance

Students, alumni, faculty members, and friends of Springfield Northeastern thronged the Hotel Kimball last Saturday evening for the twenty-first annual dinner dance sponsored by the Student Council.

After dinner speakers included Director John D. Churchill of Springfield Northeastern, Dean S. K. Schofield of the School of law, and Dean Russell Whitney of the School of Business. Don Graves, president of the Student Council, introduced the speakers.

Ray LaFay and his orchestra furnished dinner music and played for dancing from eight to twelve.

For the first time, the Council presented the gold "N" for outstanding service to the University. The recipient was selected by two members of the faculty, two members of the administrative staff, and two members of the Council. This award goes to degree students who have made a notable contribution to the school. It has no relation to scholastic standing, but is a recognition of valuable extra-curricular work.

"For this first award," said Mr. Churchill, making the presentation, "there was one person upon whom there was unanimity of opinion, without the slightest feeling that there need be further investigation of records. Accordingly the committee voted unanimously that the award should be presented at the present time to Harley B. Goodrich of the class of 1942."

Mr. Churchill quoted a statement of Associate Dean Rice who said that Mr. Goodrich had always been the kind of undergraduate whose influence had always seemed to pervade every class and every group of which he was a part in such a way that the group as a whole became a helpful, constructive part of the University.

Harley Goodrich graduated originally from the School of Business as life secretary of the class of 1927. Originally as an undergraduate, later as an alumnus, and again as an undergraduate in the School of Law, he has served loyally and continuously the interests of Springfield Northeastern, not alone in college and class affairs but as an always active member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, where he has served upon numberless committees and in different official capacities, including that of president. Upon his return to the University to take up the study of law, he not only entered quietly and effectively into the undergraduate life for the best interests of the University, but found himself named to leadership of the Council in the year 1936-37.

Mr. Goodrich was elected a year or so ago a member of the Board of Governors of Springfield Northeastern.

(Editor's Note: A later issue of *Nor'easter* will explain more fully the plan for the Council award, which we are confident will become one of Northeastern's most cherished traditions.)

## Two Pass Bar Exam

A list of 173 applicants recommended for admission to the bar on April 17 was announced by the state board of bar examiners on March 13, 1940. Two of the seven from Hampden County are graduates of Northeastern University School of Law, Springfield Division. They are Tullio A. Francesconi '36 and William E. Watkins '39. The list of successful candidates was established following an examination last December which was taken by 515 applicants.

Tullio Francesconi was born in Italy, came to the United States at an early age and received all of his education in this country. He is married and makes his home at 16 Pleasant Street, Chicopee. Tullio graduated from Technical High School in this city where he was prominent as an athlete. He still takes an active interest in athletics, being widely known in western Massachusetts as a basketball player in the city leagues.

While he is employed by and has been working as a presser for A. Asinof and Sons Manufacturing Company of Chicopee for a number of years, he definitely plans to commence practice, either by associating himself with another lawyer or opening an office of his own soon after April 17.

William E. Watkins resides at 46 Harkness Avenue, Springfield, with his wife and their 2½-year-old son. Mr. Watkins graduated from high school in Lima, Ohio, and is employed by the Melody Phonograph Company, Incorporated, of this city.

Like Mr. Francesconi, Mr. Watkins also definitely plans to go into practice. However he defers commencement of his practice until the fall of this year. When questioned as to the possibility of his son following in his footsteps, he stated that his son had not yet made known his intentions; that is, he hadn't committed himself to be a laborer or a lawyer, but his proud parents say, "Whatever he will be happiest doing is what we want him to do."

## Plaque Honors Effort

In the corridor of Northeastern University opposite the entrance to the bookstore hangs a plaque representing scholastic achievement. It imitates the university by its quiet attainment of objectives; objectives that are twofold: (1) a reward for scholastic honors; and (2) a desire to perpetuate this academic distinction.

This is done by presenting annually to that student who has attained the highest rank to the end of the junior year a twenty-five dollar scholarship and by inscribing that student's name on the plaque.

For fourteen consecutive years Delta Chapter of IITK has presented this gift quietly and unassumingly.

To the people who have received it the memory of this reward is a lasting treasure.

These are the persons who were selected for this enviable honor:

Harley B. Goodrich	1926
Irene E. Kane	1927
Henry A. Cunningham	1928
Mary B. Dean	1929
Joseph R. Jennings	1930
John P. O'Malley	1931
Sadie G. O'Keefe	1932
Roy E. Sargent	1933
Morey L. Stearns	1934
Dorothy F. Sheehan	1935
John G. Walz	1936
Robert D. Gourlie	1937
Philip H. Porter	1938
Frank E. Hegarty	1939

Of course the good intentions of all concerned are not questioned, but when a substitute instructor asked what chapter had been studied last by the class, there seemed to be a little reluctance to give him the correct information. Some volunteered chapter numbers that had been studied weeks ago. Maybe it was a lapse of memory—maybe.

## Sigma To See Film

EΦΣ, through the courtesy of The U. S. Rubber Co., Fisk Division, will sponsor the film "A Pattern for Industry" at the Y. M. C. A. at 9:30 P. M. Thursday, April 4.

The motion picture traces the development of New England industries, the work of pioneers, the interest they took in their work and in their skill, and gradually exhibits many present New England industries.

Here it shifts into the rubber industry and shows an animated diagram of the constituents of a tire and sketches how it is made. It then goes into the factory, from the cutting of crude rubber to the wrapping of the finished product. As well as exhibiting manufacturing steps it shows experimental and technological stages in tire making, and the various tests that the tire goes through before leaving the factory.

Robert Matthews is responsible for getting this film for Northeastern. Anyone in or out of school may see this film "A Pattern for Industry" at no cost. EΦΣ guarantees that it will be worth while.

### Dinner Dance

Guests came from New York City, New Jersey, and from all parts of Western Massachusetts to attend the recent EΦΣ Dinner Dance at the Hotel Kimball. More than 175 people were present at this twelfth annual event.

Guests who spoke briefly were Ernest Swanson, President of IITK fraternity; Joseph Buckley, fraternity president; Thomas Moriarty, originator of the fraternity; Arthur Cooley, who was chairman of the first dinner dance; and Jack Finn of New York City, first president.

Gerald Teehan acted as chairman of the committee and was assisted by Mr. Cooley, Mr. Moriarty, Harry Nystrom, William Buckley, Eugene Jeaness and Joseph Onorato. Kenwood Ross was in charge of the music.

## Activities Offer Much

Many students are unaware of happenings outside the classroom, namely, extra-curricular activities. Numerous events are planned yearly for the benefit of N. U. students, yet the attendance is relatively small.

The reason, perhaps, is that "you won't have a good time," because you do not know one another. Yet how can you get to know one another if you do not take part in these affairs. Taking an active part in these events makes school life more attractive and pleasant, creates an atmosphere of friendship, and increases common interest.

Extra-curricular activities can reach a high plane if all will join their fellow students and make these events even more successful than they are.

The fraternities sponsor annual dances and many other affairs. EΦΣ and IITK have reservations at the Paradise bowling alleys on Monday and Thursday respectively, after class. Drop in to join them; they're a "swell bunch of fellows." ΣNY, the sorority, provides enjoyable activities and friendship for the women students.

Then there's the Ad-Lib Club which meets Thursday in room B-7. The purpose of this club is to unite students in friendship, and to aid individual members by discussing their problems and giving information within its means. Current events are also discussed freely.

The student council deserves much praise for creating friendliness among the students. Each year it plans several events, such as the freshman reception, the annual dinner dance, and sponsors many lectures.

Nor'easter is also a part of the school. Some of you may care to join the staff, which meets every Monday evening at 9:15 p. m. in room 2A. Others may enjoy writing articles for publication to submit to the editors.

Take part in extra-curricular activities for they certainly increase your list of friends and you make a connection that will prove itself invaluable later on in life.



## Pi Tau Kappa

Saturday, March 16, was the date for the Delta Chapter's third initiation banquet for the present year.

Seventy-eight members attended this affair, which featured "Old Timers' Night", and was held in the Roman Room of the Hotel Highland. After the delicious roast chicken dinner, Ernest Swanson introduced new-timers to the old-timers, and past president William Holmes introduced the old-timers to the new.

Deltaites were honored at having, as special guest, Clarence I. Chatto, of the Northeastern faculty, who spoke briefly on his qualifications as an old-timer.

Major M. A. McFadden, construction quartermaster of the U. S. Army, who has been detailed to construct the \$5,000,000 Northeast air base, "Westover Field" was the second guest of Pi Tau Kappa. He gave many interesting facts about the project, and invited the members to attend the groundbreaking ceremonies April 6.

Following the dinner and speeches was a short business meeting and then the initiation of three new members to Pi Tau Kappa, C. Kirk Engar '43, Accounting, William H. Sleith '44, Engineering and Business, and Gowen F. Williams '44, Business.

Before the banquet the Old Timers, captained by Bill Holmes, defeated the New Timers in a bowling match. The defeat left the New Timers howling for a return match, which will be rolled on April 13. Captain Holmes had the high single string, 128, and Ken Fales rolled 113. No wonder they won! Elliott Wood was high for the New Timers with 112.

The line up: **Old Timers:** Captain Bill Holmes, Stanley Mathison, Kenneth Fales, Melbourne H. McFarlane, Donald W. McRell. **New Timers:** Captain Winston Larson, Stuart McClenaghan, Elliott Wood, Donald Ferguson, Franklyn Ferguson.

### Bowling

The regular Thursday night bowling for Pi Tau Kappa is nearing the close of its season.

On April 6, a bowling banquet will be held at Tinti's Restaurant in North Agawam. Winnie Larson and Stewart McClenaghan, co-directors of bowling, are planning the affair. Prizes for the season's high single string, high average, and other achievements will be awarded.

### Board of Governors

The board of governors of Pi Tau Kappa, made up of the governors of the four chapters, Alpha of Boston, Beta of Worcester, Gamma of Providence, and Delta of Springfield, will be the guests of the Delta chapter at the annual board visitation to be held at the Hotel Sheraton, April 13.

The governors will judge the ritual ceremonies and the initiation stunts as conducted by Delta chapter, for scoring against competition of the other three chapters.

George Raiche, of the Springfield Union, will give his lecture, "Iceberg Ho!", illustrated with colored movies. He will tell of his experiences covering the ice patrol in the North Atlantic.

### Anniversary Dinner

Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity had its twenty-fifth birthday in February. Alpha Chapter of Boston was host to chapters Beta of Worcester, Gamma of Providence, and Delta of Springfield, in a twenty-fifth anniversary celebration which extended from February 20, through Sunday evening, February 25. The six days were packed with hilarious entertainment, including an old-fashioned mixed bowling party, a Washington's Birthday dance, that included the selection of "Miss P. T. K.", open house throughout the entire fraternity, a stag affair, a snow train party, and a twenty-fifth anniversary banquet, with Alton Hall "Blackie" Blackington as guest speaker.

Twenty-three Springfield Deltaites, including Dean Russell Whitney, attended the celebration in Boston. J. Duncan Hunter, president of Alpha Chapter, deserves much credit for his fine work in making this anniversary celebration the big success that it was.

## Sorority Feasts

Friday evening, March 8, marked the first ΣΝΥ social get-together for 1940. The party was held in the Chinese Room of the Hotel Highland and decorations were in harmony with the spirit of St. Patrick's Day.

Bridge was played during the early part of the evening. The musical entertainment furnished by the hotel during this part of the program was of much interest because it came from a new music system installed in Springfield. The musical program for several different places of entertainment is controlled from a central unit which transmits the music by phone to amplifiers in the public rooms of the various hotels and inns in the vicinity.

Following the bridge, sandwiches, ice cream and coffee were served in the inimitable Highland fashion. Entertainment and awarding of prizes were interspersed with the refreshments. Miss Susan Nemic, a student of Adele King Gary, delighted the members with a number of readings. A surprise comedy sketch was offered by Mildred Lezinski '39. The winners of table prizes were Dorothy Porter, Susan Nemic, Elizabeth Easson, Mildred Lezinski and Alice Cleveland. Door prize winners were Dorothy Porter, Mary K. Foley and Hazel Selig.

The sorority is anticipating an exciting year, judging from the tentative plans as laid down by Betty Easson '41, president. May seems to be the month of months. A dinner has been slated for May 4, with the Worcester sorority girls as ΣΝΥ's guests at a popular dining place. Wiggins Tavern at Northampton was suggested as a probable place. Since May 25 will mark the 17th anniversary of the founding of ΣΝΥ, plans are being formulated for a birthday banquet to which all past members will be invited.

The culmination of the program was reached when Mary Coulter rendered songs of long ago in a costume reminiscent

## Lights Improved

Last year the Nor'easter, the Student Council and members of the student body, generally, attacked the lighting and heating systems of the university, both privately and publicly. The concerted efforts of all concerned seem to have resulted in considerably better conditions this year, and, as the Nor'easter carried the demands for betterment, it now wishes to call attention to the improvements and thank those directly responsible for them.

Taking everything into consideration, the heating has proved entirely adequate this year. Expressions of gratitude go to the custodian who has made this comfort, as well as many others, available to us.

Following every suggestion even remotely hinted at in the papers last year, Northeastern university, Springfield division, has blossomed forth in its new array of brilliance. The walls have been so painted that they make for greater light with no resulting glare. Should any students still be unaware of the new lights, let them raise their eyes to the ceilings. Nearly every room has a new modernistic type of lighting. The lights in the various rooms are not the same as a variety was installed to determine which would give the best results.

Among the particularly successful lighting systems are those in A-11 and those in A-4. The indirect light produced in both of these rooms is producing no glare and the fixtures themselves add distinction to the classrooms.

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of the daring entertainers of the "gay nineties". Later she was accompanied by a few of the girls who knew the real old ones, much to the amusement and delight of the other members.

All credit for the thoroughly enjoyable program belongs to Alice Newman and Kay Garvey, members of the entertainment committee.

## Business Class Hours Increased

A recent notice on the bulletin board seems to have been the cause of much head scratching and of many looks of puzzlement. The notice was relative to a contemplated change in the schedule of semester hours to begin next fall in the School of Business. Let us go into detail a little more.

Most colleges have schedules in which one semester hour is equal to 15 clock hours. To adjust the present schedule to conform more to that of other like schools, Northeastern will hold classes of about two hours and fifteen minutes instead of the present two hour classes.

Following is a brief comparison of the present and the contemplated methods:

### UNDER PRESENT SYSTEM

2 semester hours or a half year subject equals 32 clock hours

4 semester hours or 1 full year subject equals 64 clock hours

1 full year equals 64 hours in class exclusive of periods for final examinations

3 nights a week equals 3 times 4 semester hours or 12 semester hours a year

12 semester hours times 6 years equals 72 semester hours

Add to this, 24 semester hours credit for business experience and four semester hours for elective subjects. This totals up to 100 hours required for graduation

Tuition fees will be figured on a different basis but there will be no change in the overall fee for a complete course for the year.

### UNDER NEW SYSTEM

2½ semester hours or ½ year subject equals 37½ clock hours

5 semester hours or 1 full year subject equals 75 clock hours

1 full year equals 75 hours in class, examinations included (This is a major difference)

3 nights a week equals 3 times 5 semester hours or 15 semester hours a year

15 semester hours times 6 years equals 90 semester hours

Add to this 30 semester hours credit for business experience and 5 semester hours for elective subject. This totals up to 125 semester hours required for graduation.

## Tilden Heads Ad-Lib

The newly elected officers of "Ad-Lib" are David Tilden, president; Robert Matthews, vice-president; Richard Holt, secretary-treasurer.

"Ad Lib" is sponsoring a get-together for the members and their friends at the Town Hall Grill on April 7. Dinner is scheduled for 6:30 p. m. to be followed by a brief business meeting. Each member will introduce himself, describe his job or position, after which there will be a general discussion of the personal problems involved.

Those wishing to attend are invited to get in touch with any member of the following committee: Chairman, Bob Matthews, Louis Conti, and Louis Searlman.

## Goodrich Editor

ΠTK fraternity is undertaking to get out a 25th anniversary year book, and its editor-in-chief is none other than Delta's past President and Governor General of ΠTK, Harley Goodrich.

This book will include pictures of all of the brothers in the fraternity and their history in brief, the historical activities of each fraternity chapter, and other interesting data.

Son—Dad, what was your great ambition when you were a kid?

Dad—To wear long pants, And I've had my wish. If there is anybody else in this country that wears his pants longer than I do, I'd like to see him.

## Listen, My Chillun

**Engineers March . . .** somebody once said (maybe it was Confucius) that the longest of journeys must start with a single step. And so it is with pride that the Engineering school points to the new subject to be added to the curriculum next fall.

A combined course in Heat and Air Conditioning will be crammed in somewhere next September and the consensus is that it will do a great deal toward rounding out the practical side of the Engineering course.

Personally, I think the addition of this subject, although long debated by the powers that be, should and will prove a real advantage to the school economically as well as morally if . . . I said if . . . it is well-publicized throughout the related industries in this section.

**Intrigue and finesse . . .** the class elections of the class of 1944 have taken on the aspect of a major political coup. Class meetings were held with the usual success . . . committees were elected and their findings scrapped . . . and from here on in its every man for himself and the last one in is a lowly secretary.

Some of the methods used by the aspirants and their wardheelers would fit well in the German Gestapo . . . four or five petitions are circulating somewhat furtively among the whispering constituents . . . and with only six weeks to go it looks like the question is not . . . a possible third term . . . but an improbable first term.

**To be or not to be . . .** that democracy should once again rear its besmirched head at Springfield Northeastern is not too surprising in this land of ours where Democracy is the Koran of life.

A number of years ago, and still within the memory of students now at school, it was in the statute books that the student council should be elected by the people for the people and of the people. And that was as it should be.

Unfortunately our democracy was taken down with the plague of indifference and the result was the same as in all similar

cases. Poor leaders were selected . . . membership on the council became a farce . . . democracy died.

In order that we might still have a body representative of the students, the administrative staff organized the council under the present policy, namely: of the people, for the people, but not by the people. The justifying argument behind this method is simply that it has worked remarkably well . . . the greater part of the council members take the job seriously and conscientiously work for the aims of the student body.

Once again to thrust the power of franchise into the hands of a student body that so lightly felt the burden of their own welfare has been called foolhardy and dangerous . . . but since the days of the Magna Charta it has been true that democracy is most alive when it is apparently most dead and proponents of the idea have faith that this time the student body will use the ballot as a servant and not as a plaything.

As a trial, the students will be allowed to select from their number a percentage of the council to serve next year . . . the exact number to be elected has not been decided upon.

The election will be conducted by the present council; so please, no petitions.

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About a dozen fellows would like Mr. Everett Malerba to answer one question truthfully:

"What goes on between Mr. Malerba and Mr. Instructor between periods?"

It's not that we don't trust Mr. Malerba, but, well, you know, it just looks funny. Come on, "Er", let us in on it. Our marks aren't so high lately either, maybe we could use a little of that inside stuff.

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Flubb: Do you think it pays to put much money in clothes?

Dubb: Not if your wife gets up in the middle of the night to see if there are any holes in the pockets.



## Post Mortems

Quarterly five point tests and final examinations are the topic of the day at almost any time for the law school students. Although quarterly tests supposedly have no bearing on the final grade, since the ruling with respect to this last year, they act as a barometer, indicating the fluctuations in the students' work. If the mark received is below a 3, the student sees his instructor who discusses the paper with him.

Though this may be an established custom, it does not seem at a glance as if it cannot be broken. The subject has been discussed among the present law students and the trend of opinion is that all papers should be returned to the students with markings on them, indicative of the correct and incorrect portions of the test. Seemingly, this would be of far more benefit to the students than a mere numerical mark from the office showing whether a student did exceedingly well or "just got by." Of course, such a return of the test papers should be effected before the next quarterly exam in order to give the students opportunity to study the weak points and profit thereby in the coming exam.

Some of the law school students have been required to take another examination before they have any idea at all of the outcome of the previous exam. The situation is somewhat analogous to the old saying "You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink." The students can be required to take another exam, but without knowing why their marks were high or low, or, in some cases, whether they were high or low, they cannot hope to improve. To improve, one must have to set a definite goal for himself to attain. What better goal could there be than to surpass a previous rating—whether it was good or bad?

Then comes the question of final examinations. The fatal night arrives, the test is taken and then—a breathless wait for a few weeks, a month or more? In the

meantime the questions are mulled over so many times that they almost lose their identity.

Whether or not the idea created in the minds of a few of the law students would be practicable in a school such as ours, we do not know, but we shall present the idea here informally and hope to receive some response from faculty members and students alike.

The idea is to have one evening following the exam, sort of a "post-mortem to end all post-mortems." This would provide for a sensible discussion of the problems involved, with the instructor to keep the students within the scope of the subject, thereby eliminating confusion and ending a great deal of worry. If this could not be required, perhaps it could be accomplished as an optional class.

Any suggestions pertaining to the above subjects will be greatly appreciated and accepted for publication.

## Candied Comments

With reference to last issue's criticism of Steinbeck's *Grapes of Wrath*, it may well be remembered that Dickens was tsk-tsk'd at too, and even *Les Misérables* was considered "repulsive" and "trashy."

What can be done about instructors who hold final examination marks on their desks until 8 o'clock? What good is an hour's recitation with one's past in a pile of little white envelopes staring him in the face? Not to mention one's future?

While we're on the subject of grades it might be well to repeat that the instructors are not always to blame for the extended delay in reporting marks. It takes a great many minutes to read each examination book, and when the A-B-C's are turned in to the office they have to be sent to Boston for final approval or disapproval before they can be turned over to us fellows who earned them.

## Northeastern Notables

### Mr. William T. Dillon

Confronted with a barrage of questions from the "inquiring reporter", William Thomas Dillon, Register of Probate and Insolvency for Hampden County, smiled, gazed out of his office windows at the snow swept streets, and said, "Well, my career has been a varied one."

Mr. Dillon, who has instructed in Trusts at Northeastern University, Springfield Division, since his appointment in 1936, is married and resides on Lexington Avenue, Holyoke, Massachusetts. He has three children; two girls and one boy. One girl is in grammar school, the other in high school and the boy is a student at Dartmouth College. The son is studying law, but did not follow in the footsteps of his father who studied at Cornell and obtained his L.L. B at Boston University Law School.

From 1915 to 1920 Mr. Dillon served as Assistant District Attorney for the Western Massachusetts District, with the exception of the time he spent as a member of the Naval Secret Service.

In 1917 he served as City Solicitor in Holyoke. He has also been Chairman of the Municipal Gas and Electric Commission in Holyoke.

There was a deviation from his political career during the period 1922-1927, when he was more or less "forced through family connections" to become publisher of the Holyoke Telegram. By 1927, competition was pressing him rather hard and, thankful for a chance to slide out from under his burden, he made an offer to Mrs. William G. Dwight of Holyoke, owner of the then Holyoke Transcript. She purchased the Telegram and the papers merged, now appearing under the banner, Holyoke Transcript-Telegram.

Returning to the political spotlight, William T. Dillon was elected Mayor of Holyoke in 1930 and served the city in that capacity during 1930 and 1931.

Former Governor Ely appointed Mr. Dillon as Register of Probate and in-

solveny for Hampden County in 1932 to fill a vacancy. While the complete official title is Register of Probate and Insolvency, since Hampden County no longer has jurisdiction over insolvency cases, Register of Probate is an adequate description of the position.

One might assume from this array of positions of varying importance, that Mr. Dillon would be an over-bearing creature, ready to pounce on the students. Conversely, he is a soft-spoken instructor, more than willing to assist students over the rough places, and extremely popular with them. Before classes and during recess his is a familiar figure standing with a group of the fellows in the hall discussing problems of trusts (?) and enjoying his pet pipe.

### Don Graves

Who is Don Graves. A lot of you Northeastern students already know him; some of you have never heard of him. Up until a few nights ago, I was among the latter group but now I have had the very real pleasure of meeting him. To introduce him to the rest of that group through the columns of this paper is an equally sincere pleasure.

Don is now a student of management in the class of 1941. In 1929, he was graduated from Technical High School of this city. Until recently, he was employed as a buyer in the Domestic and Piece Goods Department of the Poole Dry Goods Company. He now works for the F. B. Mallory Company.

After leaving high school, Don entered Northeastern. Other work interfered with his attending here nights during three of the succeeding ten years. In the interim, Don also found time to get married. Therefore, on receiving his degree next year, he can rest assured that he has two genuine accomplishments to his credit.

Don is a charter member of the Ad Lib club, one of the up-and-coming organizations in Northeastern. Last year he was Ad

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Lib's president. He is also a member of the Sports Club here at school. As the kind of stuff that Don has shown is always rewarded, it is no surprise that last year he was chosen as president of the Student Council, which office he now holds.

For recreation, he likes camping and hunting. At high school, he was a member of the Rifle Club. The White Mountains is a favorite vacation spot, especially the vicinity of Mount Washington. Of course, school and work prevent his having as much time for these pleasures as he would like.

Don Graves is an outstanding member of the Northeastern student body. He is a willing and able participant in school activities. Personally unassuming, he is recognized as a leader by both faculty and students. He has no need for the Carnegie formula; he makes friends and influences people instinctively. All who know him, like him.

### Sam Fortin

Probably one of the most distinguished students in N. U. is Sam Fortin, who is studying law. He teaches General Science at Pontoosuc School in Pittsfield, Mass.

At St. Michael's College Mr. Fortin received his training in science. Here he was vice-president of the athletic association, played hockey, and was a 4-year member of the debating team, which won the state championship for 3 years. He graduated in 1929 with a Degree in Bachelor of Arts.

Then he studied at St. Lawrence University where he received the degree of Master of Arts.

Sam has been employed by the Berkshire Shoe Corporation as a salesman and carried out the duties of an inspector in the porcelain plant of General Electric. His favorite hobby is fishing and his modesty is displayed by having no "fish yarns" to tell.

Three times weekly Sam Fortin takes the 4:30 train to Springfield to attend N.

## Spring For A Golfer

By Luke Smith

When the winds blow warm once more  
With the scents and sounds of Spring,  
In the breeze's breath I hear  
A siren summons ring.

"Come, it's golfing time again!"  
And the call brings back to me,  
All the joys that the game imparts  
On fairway, green and tee.

Joy in booming drives that cleave  
A sunlit cloud-flecked sky;  
Joy to find the dimpled sphere  
Has picked a perfect lie.

Joy in fairway shots that seek  
Well-trapped or distant pin;  
Joy in watching sloping putts  
Curve cupward, up and in.

### L'envoi

There are traps and rough to conquer,  
Woods and ponds and bunkers too,  
Three-putt greens to try my temper  
For I should get down in two.

But the siren song is calling  
While I wake and while I sleep,  
It is Spring and I must answer  
I've a rendezvous to keep.

Luke Smith.

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U. and returns on the 9:25 Pittsfield-bound train.

In stature he is about 6 ft. 2 in. and weighs in the vicinity of 195 pounds. He has a small mustache and wears glasses. He usually carries a brown brief case. When you see a man that fits this description just say, "Hello Sam," and you'll have the acquaintance of one of our most distinguished students.

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Astronomy Prof.—I will use my hat to represent the planet Mars. Is there any question you would like to ask before I go on?

Student—Yes sir; is Mars inhabited?

# A Biography

## CHAPTER—THE LAST

By David L. Turnbull '40

So John Henry at last graduated from Hopkins University. It was the proudest day of his life, he reflected afterwards, for it marked the attainment of a goal that he had set for himself when he had become old enough to consider such things as goals in life. When we stop to think of the barriers in his path, we should be tolerant of his pride and self-satisfaction.

Born of parents who never had an education beyond the grammar school and who considered work as the only destiny of common folks, he had soon realized that if he were to obtain a higher education it must and could come only from his own resources. He had himself to keep, for the meager income of his father could not even grant him the aid of food and lodging. So he had set himself to obtaining the highest honors of the local high school and succeeded in so doing. He turned down some fair positions in business for a manual construction job, for the simple reason that his brawn could earn more than his brain. John did not exactly hate his simple, arduous labor because it kept him in good physical condition and he had the mental satisfaction of knowing that it would not last forever. When the sheer monotony and stupidity of the job did wear him down, a look at his growing bank account fortified him for the next morning as much as a good drink will fortify a laborer.

He had not counted on his operation during this period and it was the most severe blow of his early life inasmuch as it put off his college entrance by two years. Fortunately the Government had expanded its program of defense construction in the light of European developments, so John was assured of steady work.

The day of his entrance to Hopkins marked the achievement of one goal in John Henry's carefully planned life. He had counted rather heavily though on

some work to finance his tuition but this had become increasingly difficult to obtain lately, so that at the end of three years John was faced with a financial crisis which left only one move—to leave college and work again for some funds. Fortunately, the Government stepped in once again in John's life because of a discovered shortage of physicians for the new and rapidly expanding Army. John cared nothing about Armies or Governments but he agreed to serve a year and one-half in the Army Medical Corps for other financial aid necessary to complete his college education.

Now he was graduated and the second goal of his life had been reached and passed. The future spread its rosy haze over his reflections. A year and one-half in the Army—a promised interne-ship at the most elaborate hospital in the United States—specialization—a private practice—a name and a reputation—a wife, a home, children.

On the day after John Henry graduated, unfortunately the Government stepped in once more and declared that a state of war existed between these glorious United States and some God-forsaken country in Europe.

On the twenty-second day of the War John Henry's body, dreams, goals, and future were blown to bits "somewhere in Europe."

On the same day 50,000 other young hopes spattered the barren country-side.

The End.

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Dr. Luther Anderson, who was operated on several weeks ago, is still very ill in Wesson Hospital, although reports indicate that he is on the road to recovery. Cards and remembrances from students and faculty will help to make his hours of convalescence pass more quickly.

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Miss Frances Young, a special student, and member of the Nor'easter staff, was operated on for appendicitis two weeks ago at Mercy Hospital.



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"Experience is the best  
of schoolmasters, only  
the school-fees are  
heavy."

---Thomas Carlyle

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## Commencement Week Planned

Commencement week for Northeastern University, Springfield Division, will be week starting June 2, 1940.

Baccalaureate Sunday will be the first Sunday of June. Dr. William Spencer Beard, D.D., LL.D., will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Dr. Beard is a retired Congregational clergyman and is acting as pastor of the old First Church at Court Square pending the appointment of a new pastor.

The Class of 1940 will observe Monday, June 3, as Class Day.

The Wednesday following this first Sunday will be Commencement Day. President Rensen Ogilvy of Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut will be the commencement speaker.

On Thursday of commencement week the alumni will hold a reunion at the Hotel Kimball. The reunion is being managed by Don Tufts, '29, president of the Alumni Association.

## Provisional Appointments Announced

The Springfield Division of Northeastern University announces the names of seven students in the class of 1940 who have received provisional commencement appointments. These honors, based primarily on scholarship, have been earned by two students in the School of Law and five students in the School of Business. The students so honored are Ernst A. Bleeck, Frances A. Bryant, Frank E. Hegarty, Sager T. McDonald, Samuel N. Slater, David Weiss, Adolph J. Yodlowski.

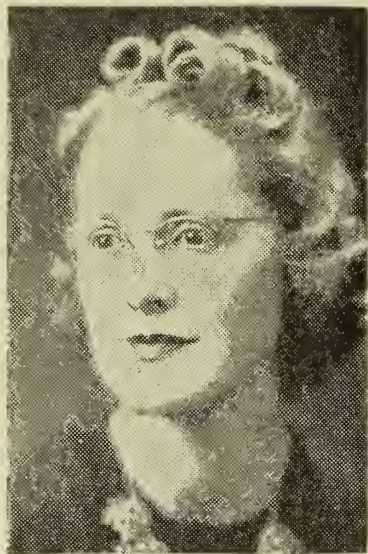
Ernst Asmus Bleeck, the son of Mr. Johann Bleeck of Bremen, Germany, resides at 100 Narragansett Street, Springfield, and is an export sales correspondent at the American Bosch Corporation. He is a graduate of the Realschule and the

Commercial School of the Union at Bremen, and also studied at New York University and The College of the City of New York. Mr. Bleeck is a member of the Springfield Turnverein. He is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Management at commencement, June 5.

Frances Augusta Bryant is the daughter of Mrs. Katherine Bryant, resides at 22 Malden Street, Springfield, and is a secretary at the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. She graduated from the High School of Commerce where she was an honor pupil. Miss Bryant has been active in student affairs at the University, being a member of the ΣΝΥ Sorority and its secretary in 1936-37 and president

during 1938-39. She has been a member of the student council and is treasurer of the class of 1940. Miss Bryant has also been on

of Business Administration and Business,



Miss Frances A. Bryant

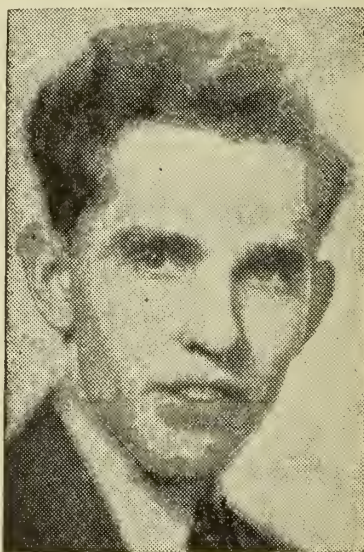
the Dean's list. She is a student in the School of Law and is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Frank Edward Hegarty, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah F. Hegarty of 85 Jefferson Avenue, this city, is a technician at the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. He is a graduate of the Classical High School. At the University Mr. Hegarty has been active in student affairs, being a member of the EΦΣ Fraternity, a member of the student council for the past five years, and a member of the gift committee of the class of 1940. His scholarship record has been such that he has been on the Dean's list each year. At commencement in 1937 he was the recipient of the sophomore scholarship award made annually by Delta Chapter of ΠΤΚ Fraternity to the student who, at the end of his junior year has the highest scholarship average. Mr. Hegarty is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor



Frank E. Hegarty

Sager Thomas McDonald of 75 Avon Place is in the accounting department of



Sager T. McDonald

the Third National Bank and Trust Company. He is a graduate of Classical High School where he was an outstanding student. On the basis of his work in



high school he was awarded a freshman scholarship at the University. At the University he has continued his good work being consistently on the Dean's list. Mr. McDonald is a student in the School of Law and is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

Samuel Nelson Slater, the son of Mrs. Mary D. Slater, resides at 23 Oak Street, and is a teller at the Springfield Five Cent

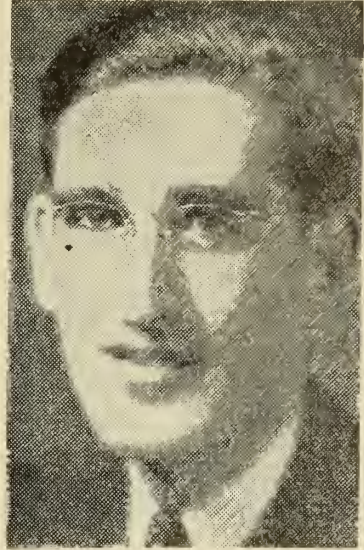


Samuel N. Slater

Savings Bank. He is a graduate of the Technical High School where he was in the first quarter of his class. At the University he has been a member of the IITK Fraternity and a member of the student council and was on the Dean's list three years. Mr. Slater is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Engineering and Business.

David Weiss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Weiss, resides at 107 West Alvord Street, and is connected with the Federal Tea Company. He is a graduate of the Technical High School where he was in the upper quarter of his class and also studied at American International College and attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology, At the University Mr. Weiss was vice-president of his class in the junior

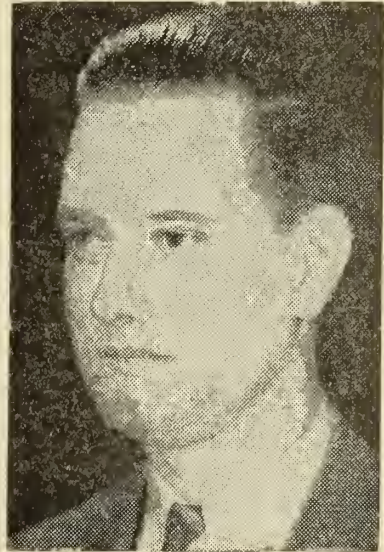
year and has been on the Dean's list for four years. He is a member of B'nai B'rith. He is a candidate for the degree of



David Weiss

Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting.

Adolph John Yodlowski, the son of Mr.



Adolph J. Yodlowski

and Mrs. John Yodlowski, resides at 354 Plainfield Street, and is employed in the

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## Sigma Nu Upsilon Entertains

ΣΝΥ entertained members of the Worcester chapter of Iota Tau Lambda at a dinner Saturday evening, April 27th, at the Hotel Shratorn. Seven girls from Worcester journeyed to Springfield, including Muriel Collie, National President of Iota Tau Lambda.

The dinner party was held in the Coral Room. The committee in charge, Betty Easson, Frances Bryant, and Hazel Selig had tastefully decorated the table. The theme for decoration was the May pole and May baskets. A very colorful pole graced the center of the long table and colored streamers, rainbow hue, stretched out over the white dinner cloth. Small paper baskets were placed for each girl together with a name pin for her identification. Two-rose corsages were given to the twenty-three girls who participated in the fun.

Three girls from Worcester and three from Springfield took part in a quiz program. The questions concerned poetry

largely and the representatives from Iota Tau Lambda carried away the honors.

The members of ΣΝΥ were entertained by Miss Sally Sokolosky, sorority sister, at the Oaks Hotel, 31 Thompson Street, Springfield, on Saturday evening, April 20.

Miss Sokolosky had an excellent selection of games planned. The most popular proved to be an indoor scavenger hunt. The twenty-one members who attended the party took part in this hunt with a great deal of enthusiasm. A singing contest also proved most amusing, but it was thought well to keep the members participating a secret.

The feature of the evening was a lecture on Oriental art given by Mr. Eugene Titus of Northampton. Mr. Titus is not a professional collector, but his collection was acquired by his brother while in the diplomatic service in China.

The articles on exhibit at the party were a Buddha, pieces of carved ivory, carved rosy amber, a dress ornament of white jade, a replica of a Chinese coffin, prayer beads and case, paintings, Chinese and Japanese dolls, Japanese kimono, modeled by Betty Roberts, Chinese lady's coat, and a Mandarin's coat. An interesting story was told by him relative to a service rendered by his brother to some brocade dealers in China. Being very appreciative of the service rendered to them, they wished to give him some gift. One day they called on him and with great ceremony presented the box to him. He expected that the gift would be a valuable one, considering the ceremony involved. When he opened the box it proved to be a piece of brocade about 1 foot wide and a foot and a half long. It seems when the royal family chose a certain brocade no one could have any of it. The brocade dealers retained only a few such small pieces to be given out to persons who have rendered them a great service.

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accounting department of the American Bosch Corporation. He is a graduate of the High School of Commerce where he was in the upper quarter of his class. At the University he has been a member of the ΕΦΣ Fraternity and on the cap and gown committee of the class of 1940. His scholarship record has been such that he has been on the Dean's list each year. Mr. Yodlowski is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting.

Each of the provisional commencement appointees will prepare a paper suitable for delivery at the commencement exercises on June 5. On the basis of these papers and the completion of the present year's work, two of these students will receive final appointments and will deliver the student addresses at the commencement exercises. Two other appointees will serve as alternates for these speakers.

## More About The Gold "N"

In recent weeks the Student Council, actively supporting the best interests of Springfield Northeastern, voted by majority at a meeting on March 5 that it would be very proper and desirable to make an annual award in recognition of meritorious service by undergraduates in this division of the University.

The Council named President Don Graves '41, Dave Tilden '41, and Bill Sleith '44 as a committee to act upon the design of a simple dignified badge as an award. They very appropriately chose a small gold "N".

A joint council-faculty committee headed by the Director of the division was chosen to consider and decide which student should have the distinction of being the first to receive the award. The committee besides the Director, was comprised of Associate Deans Rice and Miller, Associate Director Bowen, and council members Tilden and Graves.

To satisfy the expressed desire of the Council, that the first award be made by the Director at the twenty first annual undergraduate banquet held at Hotel Kimball, March 30, the award committee had to make a hurried choice without recourse to school records. This did not hamper them however. The Council's primary intentions were that the awards should not be many in number, that the honor might at all times be a coveted one, and that at no time might there be any doubt by the majority of Springfield Northeastern men and women, that the award was given to a man or woman who unquestionably deserved the esteem of his fellows for his unselfish and efficient extra-curricular service to the University.

Considering these intentions, and although the committee had many names offered for consideration, the task was easy. One person stood out above all others, and was the unanimous choice. This person was Harley Goodrich, graduate of the School of Business in the class of '27, and at present a student in the

School of Law, class of '42.

The awards are not given because of honors to which a person may have been elected while here, nor for academic excellence, but it is only natural that people who win the award may in many cases have achieved in both respects. In Mr. Goodrich's case this is true. When a member of the School of Business he stood high in scholarship, having the distinction, back in 1926, of being the first student to win the Junior Scholarship award. If he is not careful he will find himself a candidate again for the junior scholarship honors and commencement appointments. As an alumnus, he is sort of "tops" on the technical staff at the Strathmore Paper Company. In his capacity as a member of the Board of Governors of Springfield Northeastern, and as a courteous but cogent agitator, along with Dave Tilden '41 and we suspect, Associate Dean Rice and Director Churchill, he has done much towards the improved lighting conditions in all rooms. We can well understand why Harley Goodrich is the unquestioned number one undergraduate choice for the first award for commendable service.

Concerning future awards, the committee is willing to go further with its mandate to name further recipients, but it solicits, through the Council, written suggestions with a citation for reasons from both under graduates and faculty, names of students who in their opinion might well be candidates for consideration for future awards.

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She—Here is your ring—I'm afraid we are not suited for each other.

He—Tell me the truth, you love someone else?

She—Well, yes . . .

He—Tell me his name please.

She—No, because you want to harm him.

He—Oh, no; I want to sell him this ring.



## Pi Tau Kappa Notes

### In Memoriam

GEORGE HUNT GREENE

December 29, 1913 - May 2, 1940

ΠΤΚ's fourth initiation banquet of this banner year was held Saturday evening, April 13, at the Hotel Sheraton. The affair combined a board of governors' visitation and Delta's contribution to celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the fraternity.

After a delicious dinner of baked ham, with cider sauce and all the fixin's, President Ernest Swanson welcomed the visiting brothers from Boston, Worcester, and Providence. "Swanny" extended to Harley Goodrich the privilege of introducing to the brothers the first guest of the evening, Mr. Horace J. Rice, Associate Dean of the School of Law, who spoke on the fine work of fraternities and their part in the "Making of Men."

George A. Raiche, reporter for the Springfield Union and lecturer, was the second speaker of the evening. With the aid of slides and motion pictures in natural color Mr. Raiche told of the work of the International Ice Patrol in the North Atlantic. His film, the result of three weeks spent on a patrol ship, is called "Iceberg Hol!" It proved to be thrilling.

Five new members were initiated under the watchful eyes of the board of governors, who judged the work of the degree team in putting the men through their paces.

A return bowling match between Old-Timers captained by Bill Holmes, and the New-Timers led by Winnie Larson was held at the Paradise Alleys before the banquet. The New-Timers averaged 93.6 a string, but that was not good enough to match the Old-Timers' average of 101.4. Dick Johnson, for the losers, rolled the highest string of the match, however, 122.

Finis was written to the ΠΤΚ bowling season when fifteen bowlers, good, bad, and indifferent, met at Tinti's for a get-

together dinner. After the untangling of the last string of spaghetti Winnie Larsen presented prizes to the various winners. Franklin Ferguson took the first award with an average of 95 for 42 strings. Stewart McClenaghan was second with 93 for 33 strings. Ed Hachadorian declared that it was a frame-up when he was presented with the prize for the lowest average. He claims Ralph Warner, who should have won, was bribed to stay away.

Tommy Aalto drew the lucky number for the door prize.

Saturday, May 4 was the day, annual competition was the affair, and the Narragansett Hotel, Providence was the place scheduled for ΠΤΚ's biggest event of the year. Gamma Chapter of Providence was host to the other chapters.

### Are You Coming Back?

By Edmond W. McNamara '45

Spring is here . . . and Summer soon,  
Spare time will occupy.  
That time which has for some months past  
Been used to satisfy  
A longing for the better things  
That come from books and schools.  
A happiness to far surpass,  
That sought for by all fools.

And in these extra leisure hours,  
Temptations boldly rack  
Our fickle minds, to question if  
We're on the correct track.  
But ban those thoughts, and join your  
hopes  
To ours that know no slack,  
And pray to God for your own sake  
That you'll be coming back.

Back to the school that gives you much,  
To friends you gain and hold  
To teachers who have given much  
That true men they might mold.  
Tho' times be tough, and chances rare,  
And things look really black,  
Resolve again as once before  
That you too will come back.



## A Reward For Seniors

By David L. Turnbull '40

No matter how far advanced a student at Northeastern may be, the approach of final exams will invariably cause a shiver of apprehension to run through the serenity of his last two months of school. By dint of much cramming and adherence to the greasy grind, we reach the fourth quarter hurdle and lift weary legs in a resolve to clear it with the least possible effort. If only that were the end of exams for the current school year, how much more delightful would the spring days and summer daze be to all of us. Why, we could coast along to the final session and bid an almost affectionate goodbye to the whole business. The sting of signing up for another year's hard labor in the following September would be softened by the memory of the ease of those last sessions.

However, the powers that be have decided that in order to keep the creaking structure of the final spring classes from collapsing completely into a death-like somnolence, 'twould be so much better for the morale of the school if it were irritated in mind by the approaching shadow of final exams. I am convinced that the charged atmosphere of finals is a deliberate creation of the Machiavellian minds of the authorities and professors of Northeastern. Some day the student body will rise as one against such malice and I will be proud to lead the rebel horde against this scheming autocracy.

Turning to lighter matters, I offer as a suggestion to all concerned (mainly seniors and near-seniors) that as a reward for five or six years' hard labor, finals for seniors shall be nil and taboo. That, furthermore, seniors shall be invited to the scene of the biggest and bloodiest finals of the current session, there to be installed on comfortable easy chairs with proper refreshments within elbow distance, and cigars to be provided and lit by the faculty. No restrictions shall be put on the maudlin enjoyment of the ghoulish spectacle, snickerings and hearty guffaws to be

strictly in order with an occasional 'tsk, 'tsk at the struggling infants.

Imagine the spectacle unfolded before us, seniors! Here mirrored in these anguished faces, we see ourselves in former years. Ensnared in comfort, we critically observe the struggling of these miserable minors. I, for one would prefer to arrive on the scene at a quarter to seven to gloat on the tensivity of the atmosphere, the fumbblings of the sweating victims, the loud off-key voices, the fixed smile on the faces of those claiming not to have cracked a book for this final and confidently proclaiming that this is to be a push-over. We merely smile, knowing the inner dread of these bombastic infants. Then there are the owl-like, bespectacled countenances of those few who have really crammed, and their absorption in arranging neatly an array of pencils, pens, blotters, ink, etc. Soon such neatness will be shattered and the innocent pencils chewed to ribbons.

Enter the phlegmatic proof endowed with the role of proctor for the evening, with the inevitable newspaper which he will devour with the devastating calmness that has enraged the embattled warriors of N. U. for generations past. It's like bringing a lunch to a gory bull fight.

Well, along about eight-thirty, when the silence is broken only by the scraping of uninspired pens and the moaning of the victims, the invited guests will arise at a signal, yawn audibly, and be escorted with marked deference by the faculty to the nearest theater, said departure and destination to be announced to the wild-eyed sufferers. They take their leave amid howls of the condemned.

I think the plan is fair and feasible and should be adopted if only the authorities have an ounce of sporting blood in their chilly veins. But I fear that it will be rejected by a board which will see only levity in the whole idea.

# An Honor System For Northeastern

PRO--

By Frank P. Conant '44

When I took my first examination at Northeastern, I had a vague feeling of something out of place. Naturally the surroundings, the subject, and the instructor were all different. Then I realized what was wrong. After four years at Wesleyan, I was not used to the presence of the instructor during examination periods. Gradually through those years I had become entirely accustomed to the job of watching over myself.

Illegal assistance during exams has long been a problem for all school authorities. But despite the most rigid surveillance by instructors, cheating could not be eliminated. Then came the introduction of the honor system by which students were placed entirely upon their honor to obey fully the spirit and law of honesty in all written work. Today the honor system in one form or other has spread to many of our colleges and advanced schools. Some have used it with phenomenal success; others have soon abandoned it. In all cases success or failure was due to the system used or more especially to the spirit behind the movement.

Several different systems are in use, but they vary only in technical details. The fundamental understanding of an honor system is that every student is expected to be honest. Consequently no instructor need stand guard, and his presence is entirely dispensed with during the period of examination. In addition the system may place the student on his honor in the handling of reference books, in written work, and even in examinations done outside the classroom.

From my experience I have found it pleasant to be considered above cheating. At Wesleyan all written work comes under the honor system. A book report or essay must be done carefully and entirely by the student with due acknowledgement for all work that is not his own. Cooperation between students on assignments in mathe-

matics is considered a fair and normal procedure, but mere copying of another's work is a direct violation. An instructor is never in the examination room after he has given out the papers. Caustic remarks about the test may be overheard, but those hardly convey useful information. During long examinations students come and go, some for a smoke, others for a drink, an ice-cream, or just a change of atmosphere. More than one individual has resorted to a cold shower in the gymnasium, come back during the last hour and chalked up an A to his record. Such welcome freedom is brought about by the following simple sentence which must accompany all written work:

In this paper I have not intentionally, without due acknowledgement, used the work of another person.

(signature)

Even the most calloused cheater thinks twice before signing his name to that.

Of course all honor systems are abused. At Wesleyan infractions must be reported by professors who find papers suspiciously alike or by students who observe violations. Anyone reported is brought before a court composed entirely of students who may judge the man guilty and pass sentence upon him. Suspension from college for two weeks is the usual sentence for a first offense, but few students during the year are found guilty and violations are at a minimum.

At Northeastern we all know that there is more or less cheating during exams. In the larger classrooms an instructor is expected to maintain the integrity of seventy or more individuals while he himself is reading a newspaper. Actually his influence can be felt only in the first few rows. Furthermore, the average Northeastern student is old enough to take care of himself—several years older in fact than students at most colleges. If we are really interested in an honor system, let us try it. Certainly a trial can do no harm, and success would bolster the morale of the entire student body.

# An Honor System For Northeastern

## CONTRA--

By Adolph Yodłowski '40

The proposal to install the honor system at Northeastern University requires thoughtful consideration.

At the present time, examinations are given under the watchful eyes of a proctor. The students are seated in every other row and cannot leave the room without the consent of the proctor. He looks upon the slightest glance away from the examination paper, or the faintest whispering with suspicion and makes the students feel guilty of a crime.

A true honor system would do away with all this. There would be no proctor, and the students could leave the room at any time. The University would be assuming that all the students were honest and therefore would not cheat. At the same time the fee paid the proctor would be saved.

Psychologists and others who have made a study of the principles of the honor system state that most students are honest and therefore there is no need of a proctor. They forget, however, that most students are honest because they are forced to be so. Take away that which forces honesty and there will be many more dishonest persons. Therefore, why encourage dishonesty? If, in everyday life, the police force were dismissed and the laws repealed, many of the people who are now honest would become dishonest because that which forces them to be honest, the fear of the consequences, would no longer be hanging over them. The same principle would apply to the proposed system.

Favorable reports have come from colleges where the honor system has been installed. We are told that there is little if any cheating. However, the observers were probably members of the faculty or strangers to the students. Of course, the presence of either would make the honor system nonexistent. To determine whether

or not the honor system is successful the student himself is the only one that can judge. However, since the installation of an honor system would be to the advantage of the student he would probably be partial in answering any questions.

During my six years at Northeastern as a student I have seen but three instances of cheating by students during a final exam. However, several friends of mine who have graduated from various high schools in the State of New York where the final exams are given on what approaches an honor system, told me of flagrant violations of honor by as many as one half of the students taking the exam.

I agree with the persons that say most students are honest and want to remain honest, but why introduce the honor system and tempt them to be dishonest? The present system is practical whereas the honor system, though many say it is practical, is only theoretical and idealistic.

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Dittwitt—What do you mean by telling people that I'm a first class idiot?

Bimbo—Aw, you got me all wrong. I didn't say first class.

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Visitor—Do you think times are getting better?

Pastor—Oh yes; decidedly. We are getting a much better class of buttons in the collection plate now.

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Customer—Ten years ago I had to pay only ten cents a pound for these prunes.

Grocer—Not these prunes, mister; these are only five years old.

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Husband—If I were to die would you marry again?

Modern wife—You funny man. What gives you the idea I'll wait that long?

## Listen, My Chillun

Well, it looks as if another year was about ready for the old moth bag. And as usual, its teetering insecurity grows more alarming as the end approaches. With ever-growing alarm we carefully view each subject with an eye to guiding it snugly into place and it's a rare fellow and perhaps a foolish one who feels as confident as he would like to.

It's been a good year in most respects. Friends that we've made will warm and make easier the years to come. Without getting too enthusiastic about it, we can say that the school as a unit has moved forward a measurable step this year also. True, few definite moves of great consequence have been made; but certain conditions that have existed since the school was founded have been drawn out into the light of day for better scrutiny with an eye to making Northeastern a better university.

The summer stretches away into the horizon like a vagrant path cutting in and out through a thousand glorious, careless whims and fancies. If past summers are any criterion, however, we'll probably end up in September wondering where we've been and what has happened to our care-free summer.

Commencement, as usual, will be held in First Church the first week in June. The administrative office decrees that it shall be held at night so that employed students may attend and personally I think it's a little bit too bad that more students don't give their school this one important attention. It is one of the two days of the year when we unfold Northeastern to the man in the street and it is fitting that we see to it that he gets the best possible opinion of our school. Let's turn out for commencement.

In the event no one else has mentioned it in this issue of the Nor'easter I want to take it upon myself to express a kind of satisfaction felt by the entire staff of the paper at the way that this literary child

of Springfield Northeastern has taken hold this year.

In an informal contest with the papers of other branches of Northeastern this sheet stood out head and shoulders above the rest.

And if you have been of the impression that we who work on the paper do so with a martyr's resignation, get over it, brother. The staff meetings held every Monday night have been, without question, one of the brightest spots of every week during this past year. And to put the cap on the bottle we're planning a little party for ourselves up at the editor's house. No, I'm sorry you can't come; this is our party.—so long; see you next year.

## Ad Lib Dines

'Twas Sunday, April 7th  
And they packed the Town Hall Grill.  
And all was smiles and laughter  
Till the waitress brought the bill.  
The Ad Lib Club was meeting,  
And a better bunch of blokes,  
Ne'er sang in cracked falsetto,  
Nor laughed at corny jokes.

After the meal, each gave a short talk about his job. Also at this time, each brought up a problem, not necessarily connected with his job, which he offered for general discussion. After the speeches, the group argued the more interesting problems.

The Ad Lib Club is a relatively new Northeastern organization. Its principal function is to give Northeastern students an opportunity to get together and interchange ideas and viewpoints. This includes anything from a need for a new building to house Northeastern to the pros and cons of the Roosevelt administration.

Surprisingly enough, there seems to be no feminine member of the Ad Lib Club, though nothing in the by-laws bars them from membership. A club such as the Ad Lib gives Northeastern students a real chance to get acquainted. Come on, all you lads and lassies, join Ad Lib and lib—we mean live.



## Epsilon Phi Sigma News

Another plaque will soon beautify the buff-colored walls of Northeastern; for EΦΣ is now completing plans for its materialization. Bids are being received by the committee for the purchase of the plaque.

Each year EΦΣ awards a scholarship of \$25 to that student who has made the highest average grade in all courses at the end of two years.

Members who worked on the committee are: Gene Jenness, Gerald Teehan, Ken Ross, Bill Buckley, Len Bannon, Thomas Brasal, Harry Nystrom, and John Symanzyk. Should the plaque be completed in time it will be presented to the school by President Joseph Buckley at commencement.

EΦΣ will celebrate its fifteenth anniversary next year. Connected with the celebration are plans for a fraternity year book which will contain a summary of the fraternity's activities since 1926, including the names of all members. Robert Draymore is chairman of the year book committee.

Another triumph for EΦΣ is Joseph Candido's winning an honorable mention prize in the Chamber of Commerce slogan contest. He submitted the "City of Skilled Labor" as his suggestion for a name for Springfield.

John F. Nagle, '42, will go to Morristown, N. J., July 7 to enroll in the Seeing-Eye School. The blind third-year law student will purchase one of the world-famous Seeing-Eye dogs.

After completion of the thirty-day course at the school, John will use the dog to guide him about the city, and help him in corridors and classrooms of Northeastern. Mr. Richard D. Brooks, president of the Lions Club, which sponsors such aid to the blind, recently made this announcement.

Nor'easter wishes John all the luck in the world and is sure that with his courage and grim determination he will surely succeed in his chosen field, law.

Gerald Teehan '41 was unanimously chosen President of EΦΣ at a meeting held on May 2, 1940, in Room B6. He was a very active member in the fraternity's affairs, having headed the entertainment committee this past season. Mr. Teehan is pursuing a degree in B. B. A. and is employed by the Teehan Dairy Co.

Other officers were chosen as follows: Vice-president Harry Nystrom, Treasurer John Symanzyk, reelected, Secretary Eugene Jenness, Initiation Bill Buckley, Membership Leonard Bannon, Ritual Maury Baitler and Entertainment Kenneth Ross.

The retiring president, Joseph Buckley, upon congratulating Gerald Teehan on his success, stressed confidence that his ability and his enthusiasm would add prestige to the fraternity.

Besides Joseph Buckley other retiring officers are: Harry Nystrom, Edward Taft, and Harrison Clapp.

The following trustees were also unanimously reelected: John Hamilton, Ralph Jandreau, Steve Warwick, Joseph Jennings, David Miller, John Finn, John O'Malley, Eugene Riley, George Murphy, and Abe Simons. The only new addition was Joseph Buckley.

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EΦΣ will wind up its activities with its annual informal spring dance at the Holyoke Canoe Club on May 11.

Judging from the splendid attendance at the fraternity's formal dinner dance which over 175 persons attended, EΦΣ expects well 200 for this informal offer. A mixed program is offered, the principal attraction of the evening being a rug-cutting contest, the winners to be presented with an "Imported Oriental Rug from Woolworth's". Among other attractions will be the inclusion of old fashioned barn dances, in which Gene Jenness will act as prompter.

Music will be furnished by Johnny  
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## Those Extra Minutes

By Robert L. Mathews '41

Students and instructors at Northeastern University—what will we gain by adding fifteen minutes to our classes? Will this 12½% increase in class time give us a corresponding increase in knowledge? Will it be spent advantageously or will it be wasted?

If you want an accurate measure of the probable effectiveness of the period between nine o'clock and nine fifteen; look around the class some night at nine o'clock to find out how many students are asleep. You needn't wait until nine o'clock (perhaps even you will be sleeping by then); take a look at eight thirty.

The percentage of "nappers" may be small, but, if you will "check up" again the following weeks, you will find that the sleeping personnel changes from week to week. That is, the same fellow doesn't sleep every week, but almost every member of the class has his turn.

After further investigation, you will find that more students sleep in some classes than in others. Or, some students sleep more soundly in some classes than in others. For example, in class "X", you cannot lose consciousness entirely because of a certain disturbing factor, (instructor "Y") but, in class "Z" you can do just

what the symbol implies Z Z Z Z Z (snore).

That students sleep during class isn't only my opinion. Ask any student. He will be able to cite several cases, even his own. I know from personal experience that there are certain classes and certain nights that—Boy! if the chairs were only a little more comfortable. But, sometimes even that doesn't stop me!

All of the instructors will have to become master showmen if they want to keep the class with them another fifteen minutes. That's not asking too much, because we have a few in the school already. Please take notice where **most** students keep awake.

However, we all agree that extra time is needed. We have too much to accomplish in the limited time of our two-hour periods. In some courses the instructors are forced to rush over important material. Just think how much a few extra minutes each night would mean to us.

I have noticed that few people sleep during the first hour. The second hour seems to be more popular. Possibly, by increasing the length of our recess, we would completely recover and go into that second half wide awake. Perhaps a few more minutes in between would help us to take full advantage of every minute in class.

The important point is that we are paying for an education. Therefore, if the instructors are willing to stay with us another fifteen minutes, we are the fellows to gain. Let's take advantage of the opportunity!

Dsudi—I wonder why fat men are always so jolly and good-natured.

Bunchuck—That's easy; they can't run and they can't fight.

The most manifest sign of wisdom is continual cheerfulness.

—Montaigne.

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Newton and his orchestra of Amherst.

Working on committees are: music, Roger Bennett, Robert Driscoll, Ken Ross, Harry Nystrom, and Morris Learner; entertainment, Larry O'Brien, Ed Bryze, Paul Hovey, Finley Milroy, and Justin Cavanaugh; publicity, Robert Draymore, Robert Matthews, Joseph Candido, William Buckley, John Colbert, and Walter Trybocki; tickets, Wilfred Bourgue, Harry Clapp, Gene Jenness, Frank Murray, Theodore Drowniak, Ed Donnellan, John Sullivan, Clement Letarte. Gerald Teehan heads all committees.

## Northeastern Notables

Listed in the school catalogue is the name of Edward Phelps Grace, B. C. S., Northeastern University; C. P. A.; Assistant General Manager, Springfield Merchants, Incorporated.

To us students he is just Ed Grace—friendly, cheerful, in fact a “regular guy”. A student who ordinarily shudders before addressing an instructor by his first name says, “Hello, Ed!” with all the ease and smoothness of a ball rolling down the alley for a ten strike. He has that intangible asset of adding color to his lectures on debits and credits.

His rise in this community could have been that of any Northeastern man. In June, 1916, he was graduated from Chicopee High School. In rapid succession he worked for The American Railway Express, The J. Stevens Arms Company, The Springfield Armory from where he got his honorable discharge at the close of the war, the Springfield Goodyear Rubber Company.

In 1920 he entered Northeastern; and in the same year he started his own tire retreading business, operating under the

name of The C. S. Woodworth Tire Company. He conducted this business until 1923 when he went to work for Scovell, Wellington & Company, well-known Springfield accounting firm.

He had the distinction of delivering a commencement oration upon graduation from Northeastern in 1924. He remained with Scovell and Wellington until February, 1932, when he once again felt the urge of independence and started a Nash automobile agency on a partnership basis.

Eleven months later he returned to Scovell and Wellington and remained with them until February, 1937, when he was appointed Treasurer and Assistant General Manager of the Springfield Merchants, Incorporated, more commonly known as The Shopping News.

He is the proud father of three children who are prospective Northeastern students.

His chief hobby is golf and here is a tip: don't play him for money.

Philosophically, he is inclined to believe, “That one must be taught to accept failure as well as success because both are apparent in every man's life.”

## Do You Remember?

Traditionally a young man's fancy turns in spring to thoughts of love. The season last year brought about an abrupt change from love to peculiar dietary activities. This sudden change caused grave concern to the Public Health Service, College Publicity Association and the Animal Rescue League.

A Harvard freshman, to win a \$10 bet, swallowed a live goldfish. Its sequel was amazing, judged even by the droll standards of undergraduate humor. To prove that Harvard men are sissies a student from a Pennsylvania university swallowed three of the fish. Not to be outdone an-

other Harvard man immediately topped this record by downing 24 of the scaly animals.

The race was on! The pace of the weird contest was getting dizzy. Students from colleges and universities, far and near, claimed to have smashed previous records. The wiggling fish were swallowed with chasers of catsup and orange juice, milk and rye bread. Records were broken over night. And then suddenly the whole absurd business fished out, or should we say fished out?

The fact that no such craze swept the nation this year makes us wonder if, after all, the world isn't returning to sanity!

## Au Revoir

In this last issue of the college year 1939-40 Nor'easter thanks N. U. students for their appreciation of its efforts and wishes them incredible success in the finals, a delightful summer, and a grand reunion in the University corridors and classrooms next fall.



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"Dost thou love life?  
Then don't squander  
time, for that is the  
stuff life is made of."

---Benjamin Franklin

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## In Memoriam

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DR. LUTHER ANDERSON

traveler, writer, artist, inspiring teacher,  
guide, philosopher, and friend

## Freshman Reception October 19

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! The freshmen are to have a jamboree! On Saturday evening, October 19, at the Hotel Kimball, the Student Council will conduct the annual freshmen reception and autumn informal dance.

Plans for the momentous occasion are in the hands of a very capable committee who guarantee a good time to all who attend. The committee members are: Edward A. Hachadorian, Chairman; Alfred A. LaRiviere, Frank S. Jamro, Ernest H. Wilkins, Jr., and Sidney Rasanen. Jimmie Mack and his CBS-NBC Orchestra have been secured to furnish music for dancing. The musicians will also provide entertainment during the intermission. Refreshments will be served in the ballroom.

There will be an innovation for the Freshmen Reception this year. Contrary to the practice in previous years, the Council will welcome upper classmen at 50c per

couple. Freshmen, of course, are admitted at NO CHARGE. All freshmen who have not yet secured their tickets in the lobby should do so tonight in order to avoid confusion at the door on the evening of the dance. Upper classmen, also, should heed this advice and save the committee needless work on Saturday night.

An added incentive to your attending the affair in your honor, freshmen, believe me when I say that there will be no "hazing" connected. The dance is conducted exclusively for your pleasure and entertainment; not to make you feel ill-at-ease in anticipation of evil to come.

Upper classmen who have never attended a freshmen reception do not know what fun they have missed. Freshmen, if you miss this dance, the chance to be properly received into Northeastern's friendly circle is gone forever, not that we won't welcome you anyway!

We'll be seeing you, Saturday night!

## Hello, Everybody!

Hello. This is your 1940-41 greeting from **The Nor'easter**.

To those of you who are new-comers, either Freshmen, special students, or transferees, welcome. We hope you like Northeastern and us. And to those of you who are old friends, Hi. We're glad you are back.

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First on our minds, as usual, is **The Nor'easter**. We have big plans for the present school year. Somehow we will carry them out. But if you will help, we can do more and better things. There is room on the staff for a few more writers, critics, and people with ideas. It is up to you to come to us if you are interested in working on **The Nor'easter** staff. We want you if you want us, but you know where to get in touch with us and you are not so easy to find. So the first move is yours. Notice of staff meetings will be posted on the bulletin in the University lobby. Everyone interested in **The Nor'easter** the way it is, and everyone who has ideas for a change for the better is welcome. And if you don't like meetings but have the ideas anyway, why don't you look up Mr. Chatto, our faculty adviser, or any of the staff members and tell them. Who knows, you might make a friend!

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We mentioned the bulletin board a moment back. That is something worth mentioning again. All students are charged to notice what is posted there. Usually there is a crowd of students clustered around the board. Some of them are just passing the day, and night, and it has been suggested that these chatters might be less in the way if they cluttered up the stairway. People should not be in a hurry on stairs anyway, and if it cuts down on stair climbing speed to have the gossipers holding forth there, maybe it is all for the best and safest. At least it would give a little more room for those who find messages among the scramble of notices on the bulletin boards.

There are several ways of reading the

board. You can begin in the upper left and elbow your way across to the lower right. Then you know everything. The only trouble is, when you get to be known as a "left to righter" you will be besieged with requests for information from those who have not time to read everything and from those who can't read anything because they do not know their lefts from their rights.

Another method of gleaning required knowledge is to read the "To's" and "From's". You see "To: All Law Students" and if you are a Bus. Admr. you don't bother to go further. You hunt up instead a "To: Freshmen" or "To: All Those Registered in the Course That Gives You a Degree with Three (3) Letters in it After Six Years", or something like that. When you find a "To" that suits you, you then check to be sure it is "From" someone you want to hear from. That way you do not spend too many hours reading notices. Of course, if you are really good Northeastern material you wait until the place is comparatively vacant and then, with pencil and notebook in hand, jot down all the exam. dates that influence you for half a year. That way you eliminate a whole section of the board and a brief and cursory glance will suffice for a long future.

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There is, besides, the bottom half of the bulletin board which is known as the "bill board". There the students push thumb tacks through their advertising achievements and try to persuade someone to buy the books the sellers bought last year. Notices from students to ditto in the way of books to sell, shoes to shine, and dates to make, go on the bottom half of the board. They are for you to read if you want to and you are also privileged to try your hand at writing a few.

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Another thing that comes to mind is the matter of paying tuition. That in itself is quite a strain. First, you have to

spend months at hard labor gathering together the shekels that make up the required amount. But that is the least of your worries. The real trouble comes when you decide it is best to part with it. You come plunging into the corridor, brave and courageous, with a handful of bills nobly clutched in your outstretched grasp. But what good does that do you? You can't get rid of it when you want to because there were 477 others with exactly the same idea, only they got there first. There's nothing to do waiting in line except count your money a few times, and each time you count you think of more gadgets you could have used that money for, so when you actually turn it over, it isn't half the fun it started out to be. Then it suddenly occurs to you that next time you might send a check or money order a few days ahead. So you do, and when tuition is again due there are only 476 in line. That's the kind of business-like business you learn from attending a business men's school. It's legal, too. You can even pay up the whole year's charges at one time. Then you'll never have any worries, except where you'll get your next meal.

The only thing not to do is don't pay at all. That way you get a lot of publicity, though. Come tuition paying day and you unpaid. Guess what! The instructor reads off your name and maybe a couple of others who also forgot, right in front of the whole class, and you have to hie your way to the office where they tell you, "No more classess for you, son, until you pay up." And there you are outside and no place to go because your girl has another date, this being a class night for you. The best thing to do is pay ahead a little bit. Take it as a tip from one who lost a vest button in the crush.

## To The Editor:

Contented as I am to be here, and loath as I shall be to ever leave the place, there prevails one harrassing condition which for years has been continuously and consistently, like celery in my teeth, a slight

and omni-present reminder that though God may be in Heaven, the Devil is doing his best to plague Him.

We ought to present this petty grievance to The Powers That Be not as chronically dissatisfied agitators, but as beings with, to toss their own words back at them, "your own interests at heart." Consider them well, please, and may we urge you to think of them, not as the product of the puerile mind but as a true expression of the thoughts of the whole university.

The specific burden from which your servants seek relief raises, first of all, the question, "Who grades the professors?"

The professor's task is a difficult one to be sure. The job of teaching a man and preparing him for the world outside is like no other job in the world. It will be granted that the professor's raw material is never the same from year to year, that the resulting substances change with every reaction. And because of these factors, the professors kindly tell the students that they must remain ever alert and active in their search for real further education—that they must make changes according to the rest of the world. But how alert are the professors?

How many of the local professorial group have changed their methods or materials of instruction during the past several years?

In order to see that the students are fit at all times, they are constantly being checked upon; they are subject to periodic tests and if found wanting, they are soon changed or else dropped. It follows then that the checkers must be as fit as the checkees. And yet, what checkup do the college professors undergo? No one swoops into their classrooms to see how they are handling their classes. No one knows whether or not they are representing the ideas of advancement of intellectuality in their lectures. Possibly if more attention were directed away from involved schemes of instruction and toward the professors themselves, some useful ends might be attained.

Senior



## Dean's List

The names of the students who made the dean's list for the academic year 1939-1940 were announced during the summer months, but due to the fact that many were away on well-earned vacations, we believe it is worth while to re-publish the list in this paper. Membership on this list is given to candidates pursuing a course of not less than 12 semester hours and obtaining an average of at least 80 per cent for the year.

The list is as follows:

Class of 1940 (graduates), Alfred P. Franz, Frank E. Hegarty, Samuel N. Slater, Emanuel Tesoro, David L. Turnbull, David Weiss and Adolph J. Yodlowski of Springfield.

Seniors, class of 1941: John L. Bannon, Elizabeth A. Eason, Francis J. McGrath, Robert L. Matthews, Stuart Reynolds and Louis Searleman of Springfield.

Juniors, class of 1942: Burt L. Johnson, John F. Sullivan, Edmund A. Szymczyk, Gerald T. Teehan and Ralph S. Warner of Springfield; Thaddeus J. Drewniak of Chicopee; Claude R. Parent and Leslie F. Woods of West Springfield; Kenneth Sanderson of Palmer.

Upper middle, class of 1943: Edward A. Anderstrom, Laurence F. Brundett, Robert C. Ewig, Walter E. Faulkner, Jr., Eugene F. Jenness, Wallace M. Scott and John A. Sickel, Jr., of Springfield; Paul E. Allain of Fairview; Stanley P. Lis and B. Radley Sandiford of Westfield; Alphonse H. Wilhelm of South Hadley Falls.

Lower middle, class of 1944: Isadore E. Blatt, Charles F. Bradley, Joseph P. Curran, William F. Harrington, John J. Kane and Donald J. McCormick of Springfield; Benjamin P. Asteley, Thomas P. Brassill, Walter L. Henderson and Edwin C. Kautzmann, Jr., of Holyoke; Ernest J. Wojcik of Chicopee Falls; Howard E. Reed of Addison, Ct.

Sophomores, class of 1945: Alex Belovitz, Frank A. Circosta, Hario D'Ippolito, Carl E. Erickson, Robert F. Finn, Robert E. Gould, Theodore H. Hanchett, William T. James, Edmond W. McNamara,

Donald G. Marshall, Jr., Arthur M. Partridge, Jr., Dorothy M. Porter, Olinto P. Ugolini, Robert T. Welch and Robert F. Wheeler of Springfield; Norman J. Cartmill, Irvin G. Duclos and Roger J. Sullivan of Chicopee; Edward H. Quigley of Chicopee Falls; Walter J. Govoni and Paul C. Theilig of West Springfield; Robert W. Hutton, Jr., of Holyoke; Alfred M. Kuhn of Westfield; David Peterson, Jr., of Ludlow; James O. Shea of Feeding Hills; Elizabeth B. Brainard of Thompsonville, Ct.

Of the above, the following were also on the dean's list in 1938-39: Frank E. Hegarty, Emanuel Tesoro, David L. Turnbull, Davis Weiss and Adolph J. Yodlowski, all graduates with the class of 1940; Francis J. McGrath, Robert L. Matthews, Stuart Reynolds and Louis Searleman, all of the class of 1941; Thaddeus J. Drewniak, Claude R. Parent, John F. Sullivan, Edmund A. Szymczyk, Ralph S. Warner and Leslie F. Woods, all of the class of 1942; Paul E. Allain, Edward A. Anderstrom, Laurence F. Brundett, Robert C. Ewig, Eugene F. Jenness, Stanley P. Lis, B. Radley Sandiford, John A. Sickel, Jr., and Alphonse H. Wilhelm all of the class of 1943; Benjamin P. Astley, Isadore E. Blatt, Thomas P. Brassill, William F. Harrington, Edwin C. Kautzmann, Jr., and Howard E. Read, all of the class of 1944.

## Miss Lombard Transfers

Of interest to the members of the law school, class of 1942, is the news that Miss Florence Lombard, 15 Pine Street Court, this city, has transferred to the Northeastern University day school in Boston. The transfer will mean that Miss Lombard will graduate in June 1941 rather than June 1942 as she would have done had she remained here.

Florence is staying at the Pioneer, 410 Stuart Street, Boston, Massachusetts, and would undoubtedly be glad to hear from some of her former classmates.

We all wish her the best of luck in her new location.

## Three Win Honors

Louis Searleman, '41 candidate for the B.B.A. degree in Accounting, won the Junior Scholarship awarded annually at commencement exercises to the student of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, regardless of curriculum, who stands highest in all courses from the freshman to junior years, inclusive. This scholarship is provided by the Delta Chapter of the IITK Fraternity.

Mr. Searleman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Searleman of 119 Patton Street, Springfield, and is employed in the Production Engineering Department at the Springfield Armory. He is a graduate of the High School of Commerce, Class of 1932. He was awarded the Sophomore Scholarship at the Commencement Exercises in 1937, and was also awarded the Middle Scholarship at the Commencement Exercises in 1938.

Leslie Francis Woods, Class of 1942, candidate for the B. B. A. degree in Engineering and Business, won the Middle Scholarship awarded annually at commencement exercises to the student of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, regardless of curriculum, who stands highest in all courses during his first three years. The scholarship is made available by the ΣΝΥ Sorority. Mr. Woods resides at 99 Park Street, West Springfield. He is a graduate of the Technical High School, Class of 1933, and is employed as a credit reporter at Dun & Bradstreet.

Benjamin Patrick Astley, Class of 1944, candidate for the B.B.A. degree in Engineering and Business, won the Sophomore Scholarship awarded annually at commencement exercises to the student of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, regardless of curriculum, who stands the highest in all courses during his first two years. This scholarship is provided by the ΕΦΣ Fraternity. Mr. Astley resides at 184 Beech Street, Holyoke. He is a graduate of the Sacred Heart High School, Holyoke, Class of 1928. He is employed as a draftsman at B. F. Perkins & Son, Inc., at Willimansett.

## Barn Dance

Friday evening, November 1 will mark the first ΕΦΣ social get-together of the 1940-1941 season. Members and friends of ΕΦΣ are cordially invited to attend an old fashioned barn dance at Courtney's Barn, in Somers, Conn. A map will appear on the bulletin board so that there will be no real reason for not getting there.

This barn dance will be a "double feature". It is to be a regular dance for the members and their friends, and many prospective members are invited to attend this affair with their girl friends as guests of the fraternity. We feel that we can get acquainted with future members in no better way than to meet them on this common ground.

Chairman Kenwood Ross of the entertainment committee has opened negotiations with Dan Cupid, agent of Celestial Bodies, Inc. A result of the Round Table Conference is that Diana the Moon will be the feature attraction supported by a scintillating galaxy of lesser stars and other heavenly bodies. In other words a full moon will beam upon all those romantic and venturesome spirits motoring from Springfield and vicinity to Courtney's Barn, Somers, Conn. It's a mere half hour's spin.

Wear your oldest clothes at the dance. And here's what the well dressed barn dancer will wear: 1. a ten-gallon straw hat; 2. a tamale red neckerchief knotted about the neck; 3. a bright colored shirt preferably a flamboyant check or plaid; 4. a pair of blue denim overalls—the kind with suspenders. As for footwear, the committee will leave that up to the guests.

Assisting Kenwood Ross on the entertainment are the following: Wilfred A. Bourque, George J. Leger, Francis McGrath, Lawrence O'Brien, John A. Sickles, C. Victor Linden, James J. McCormick, Thomas D. Clancy, Paul H. Hovey, Justin G. Cavanaugh.

Tickets may be obtained from any member of the fraternity, and those tickets are going like hot cakes!!

## Student Council

The officers for the Northeastern Student Council for the year 1940-1941 are as follows: Eugene Jenness, president; Gerald Teehan, vice president; and Elizabeth A. Easson, Secretary.

The members of the Student Council for this term are given below by classes.

Class of 1941—Harrison B. Clapp, School of Law; David E. Tilden, School of Business; Elizabeth A. Easson, School of Business; William F. Buckley, School of Business; Frank S. Jamro, School of Business.

Class of 1942—Maurice Baitler, School of Law; Kenwood Ross, School of Law; Mary K. Foley, School of Law; Gerald F. Teehan, School of Business; Sidney Rasanen, School of Business; and Edward A. Hachadorian, School of Business.

Class of 1943—Lawrence F. Brundett, School of Business; Eugene Jenness, School of Business; Ernest H. Wilkins, Jr., School of Business.

Class of 1944—Demetrius C. Pilalas, School of Law.

Class of 1945—Alfred A. LaRiviere, School of Business; Donald G. Marshall, Jr., School of Business.

Of the above members, those elected at the general election by the student body last spring are Eugene Jenness, the president; Maurice Baitler, Gerald Teehan, the vice-president; William Buckley, and Kenwood Ross. The other members were selected by the faculty.

All students in every branch of the school are urged to contact their respective student council representatives whenever they have any complaints or suggestions to make which they feel might be for the betterment of the school. The council will entertain the suggestions and complaints and, if possible, do something to remedy the situation. At any rate the place to register all "kicks" is with your student council representative not in groups on street-corners.

If, by any chance, you are a bit hesitant about speaking of your "pet peeves" to the student council member representing you, may we call your attention to the Question

Box which has been placed in the store. As you will see, this box is padlocked and can be opened only by the president of the Student Council, Eugene Jenness. The contents of the box will be duly discussed at each council meeting and all suggestions and requests will be treated as strictly confidential.

All suggestions for the good of the students and the school generally will be welcomed. However, remember, if your suggestion is to have the consideration of the Council, it must be signed. If the request or suggestion is not worth your signature, it is not worth the time it would take the Council to discuss it.

From all indications the Student Council will be very active this year. As usual it is planning for the Freshmen Reception which will be held October 19 at the Hotel Kimball, and for the annual spring Dinner Dance.

The committees named to carry on some of the planned activities of the council are as follows:

Freshman Dance Committee:—Edward A. Hachadorian, chairman, Alfred A. La Riviere, Frank S. Jamro, Ernest H. Wilkins, Jr. and Sidney Rasanen.

Nor'easter Reporter:—Mary K. Foley.

Sports Activities Committee:—Edward A. Hachadorian, Frank S. Jamro, Donald G. Marshall, Jr., and Alfred A. LaRiviere.

Lecture Committee:—Donald G. Marshall, Jr., chairman, Mary K. Foley and Maurice Baitler.

Budget Committee:—Eugene Jenness, Mary K. Foley, Elizabeth A. Easson and Gerald F. Teehan.

## Miss Bergmann Weds

Miss Carolyn Edith Bergmann, B.C.S., formerly Registrar of Northeastern University, Springfield Division, resigned during the summer. On August 26, 1940 Miss Bergmann was married to Arthur G. Porter of Westfield. Mr. Porter is associated with the Westfield Clay Products, Incorporated.

Mr. and Mrs. Bergmann will live in Westfield, Massachusetts, where they are building a home.



## Listen, My Chillun

**HOLD** on kids, here we go again.

**THE** somewhat unpromising scholastic year 40-41 is down our throats like so much cotton-batting and the only thing left to do with it is to swallow it. If it isn't trig, it's calculus and the square of one equals the cube of the other so you might just as well let down your hair and enjoy the instructors' jokes.

**MILITARISM** rears its epaulets from end to end of our peaceful, autumn-hued countryside, and along our butt-strewn corridors the ominous beat of boots in time with drums is plucking would-be executives to march to the mad piper's tune. Some of the more brave have gone out in eager answer to the cry to save democracy; the rest of us will await the slap of conscription. Conscription is a lot like bingo. The only difference is that when your number comes up instead of yelling bingo you just yell, probably to the appeal board. Conscription is all right if you were born at the wrong time.

**IF I** were hard up for material for these meandering lines I might write about Mary's hat. Now without a doubt you've heard of Mary's lamb and probably also of Mary's garden but for genuine historical accuracy and side-splitting amusement you must see Mary's hat. It looks like Chamberlain's derby after a night on Waterloo Bridge. The center of the thing is somewhat conventional, rather like an inverted salad bowl; but the rest of it is something only a realist after three Zombies would think of. It droops in front and it flares at the rear like a dog walking on its front paws. It's got more character than an awning in the wind; she'll never need an umbrella with that canopy draped about her. And to put the cap on the bottle, the whole thing is covered with a great black veil. The veil is for exotic effect, but it's about as exotic as a can of sauerkraut.

**TOOK** myself out to the Northeastern-Springfield football game last Saturday and did I have myself a time. If you ever want to find a quick way to lose friends and antagonize people just go to a foot-

ball game, sit in the wrong stand, and cheer your head off. Now, enthusiasm over Northeastern sports isn't anything that rises up and smacks you as soon as you walk off Chestnut Street. But, on the other hand, if you want to go overboard for your nocturnal Alma Mater, there's nothing in the rules that says you can't. Well, that's just the way I looked at it, and could I help it if everyone around me happened to be going the other way. And besides they gave Northeastern the bleachers over on the sunny side of the field—poor sportsmanship and bad manners. Well, anyway, we won and I have an idea it was a good thing we did 'cause all those peanuts that came my way weren't meant for me to eat, and if we lost I might have had a little trouble explaining to that bunch of simian gymnasts that I really wasn't as excited about the dear old game as I seemed.

**THE** Student Council pulls the freshman reception and dance out of their hat on Saturday the 19th. This is one of the things you pay your two dollars for and you're expected to cash in on it. It's being spilled at the Kimball and I don't think it's a bum steer when I tell you that you'll enjoy it.

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## Larsen Marries

A wedding of interest to Northeastern students was that of Carl J. Larsen to Elizabeth Swinnerton of Troy, at Troy, New York on Saturday, October 5th. Mrs. Larsen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Swinnerton of St. Petersburg, Florida, and Carl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Larsen of Brownville, Maine.

Carl is enrolled in the School of Law, is a member of the class of 1940, but is finishing up a course this year due to the fact that he has been unable to take a full schedule during his years in school owing to his National Guard activities.

Following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Larsen left on a trip to St. Petersburg, Florida. They will be at home after November 1 at 18 Federal St., Springfield. Mr. Larsen is associated with the Federal Intermediate Credit bank in this city.



## Introducing:

**Mr. Forest Oakley Mavis, instructor of Business Management.**

After two years' service in the submarine division of the United States Navy during the world war Mr. Mavis worked as a draftsman and machine designer.

In 1927 he received a Bachelor of Science degree from Ohio State University. For twelve years he was an industrial Engineer with Scovell Wellington Accounting firm of this city, and at present he holds the office of comptroller at F. W. Sickles Co., Springfield.

Mr. Mavis spasmodically substituted as instructor in Elementary Accounting at Northeastern and became greatly interested in the welfare of students who he says—"sacrifice so much outside activities to attend evening college".

His desire of contact with this sort of student as well as a life-long ambition to teach were realized when in the middle of last term he was appointed to the hard task of replacing the beloved Doctor Anderson. So far Mr. Mavis is well on the way toward winning the esteem that befits the successor of a man so greatly cherished.

**Mr. J. J. Patterson, Instructor of Accounting.**

We have been fortunate in securing as a teacher a so recent graduate of Northeastern. Mr. Patterson was graduated from Boston Northeastern in 1935 with a B.S. degree. In 1938 he was graduated from Boston University with an A.M. degree. The following year he passed the State C. P. A. examination.

Three years teaching at Boston Northeastern prepared him for his duties here. During the day Mr. Patterson is employed by the Springfield School Department. At present he is at the new Trade School where, besides teaching, he busies himself with the installation of the accounting system of the new establishment.

Nor do his pedagogic efforts end here. He conducts the C. P. A. Preparatory course in University Extension at the High School of Commerce.

In comparing evening students with day

## Kappa News

IITK, Northeastern's oldest fraternity, selected the Hotel Kimball as the setting in which to hold its annual convention. Saturday, October 5, was the date and 4:00 p. m. the opening time.

In his address to the delegates, Alfred N. MacLennon, new president of Springfield's Delta chapter welcomed the attending brothers from Alpha, Boston; Beta, Worcester; and Gamma, Providence, and expanded on the successful activities of the fraternity during the past year and what was tentatively planned for the ensuing year.

During the business meeting the ladies of the delegates enjoyed bowling at the Y. M. C. A. alleys. Miss Webber of Worcester won a prize for high single string. Her score was 84.

A roast chicken dinner at 6:30, and dancing from 8-12, to the tunes of Norman Temple and his orchestra, rounded out a fine schedule of events.

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Play during IITK's annual golf tourney held at the Oxford Country Club August 3, was suspended for a while when word was passed around the course that a foursome composed of Past President Ernie Swanson, Bob Edwards, Ken Van Wart, and Frank Ferguson, became lost during their second round, in the jungle along the third hole. The cry was, "Find me, never mind the ball." By the time order was restored and all entrants accounted for the dinner gong sounded. It is still a doubt as to just who became the new champion.

Bowling is again the vogue for IITKers on Thursday nights at the Paradise Alleys. Franklin Ferguson who is to direct the bowling activities of the fraternity for the coming year has announced a full schedule to run through the season to April.

students Mr. Patterson says, "In evening school nearly every student absorbs the material presented; in day school all students are exposed to the course but relatively few really absorb it".

## Sorority News

We sorority sisters have big plans for the coming year, but before we arrive at a discussion of the future, there are a few things we have done since spring which are worth mentioning.

On August 20, right in the middle of the hottest weather, we had a picnic. It was a treat to have a mid-summer meeting when all members who were not otherwise engaged with trips and vacations could get together without the winter rush of classes. This summer's pow-wow part of it went off perfectly, and after someone remembered that we girls went to a man's school we managed to build a fire that stayed lit. The members brought their own edibles for frying, roasting and broiling, and as cooks Northeastern women are not so bad.

Just before school started this fall, we lost one of our officers. **Jean MacPhaul**,  $\Sigma\text{NY}$ 's Secretary for the current year, left Springfield to attend the Boston School of Occupational Therapy. We shall miss Jean before, during and after classes, but she has sent word that she will attend some of our week-end affairs, so we feel that she is not completely out of our lives.

Now to the business of the present. On Monday evening, October 7, after class, the first meeting of the year was held in the Student Room. We chose Monday because a majority of the members attend classes on that night. At the meeting the President, Elizabeth A. Easson, was authorized to appoint a secretary for the remaining of the fiscal year to succeed Jean MacPhaul. Eunice Donovan was appointed. Plans for the coming year were then discussed in more or less detail.

With the woman's prerogative of mind-changing, we have three or four definite plans for the near future. First, instead of the Freshman Tea we have annually held in the past, there will be a Get-Together-Tea to which all women attending classes at or working for Northeastern are to be invited. Eunice Donovan, the secretary, has offered  $\Sigma\text{NY}$  the use of her home for the occasion. Tea will be served, among other things, from approximately four

o'clock to six on Saturday afternoon, October 26. All regular and special students, alumni, and women employees of the University are invited to drop in during these hours and meet the members and would-be members. The purpose, whether you join our sorority or not, is to get acquainted with your fellow women students, so that you can say "Hi" to all of them as you dash through the corridors.

The November meeting will be, according to our tentative plans, conducted by the president, Elizabeth A. Easson, who expects to talk on "Rambling Recollections." Betty insists that the girls will need refreshments when she finishes, but we would have had them anyway.

Sometime before the Christmas rush the December meeting, combined with a Christmas party, will probably be held in Westfield at the home of A. Martha Davis. Whether she shows more of her movies or does her magic tricks is up to the others to decide.

Just after the start of the second semester comes the big affair—initiation. But about that you will hear later. Until next time then, plan to save Saturday the 26 for a tea party at Eunice's, and don't ask Betty for a private lecture on her recollections—come and hear her talk.

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### In the office—

Two young women have been recently added to the office force at Springfield Northeastern. Miss Jeanross Selzam, who holds the position of recorder, was graduated from Commerce in 1938 and was in the credit department of a furniture store before joining the administrative force. She is fond of skating and tobogganing among winter sports and is a sort of jack of all sports either as spectator or participator, the rest of the time.

Miss Nancy Davies, the secretary to the director, joined the staff recently. She was graduated from West Springfield High School, attended Springfield Junior College and has three years at Mount Holyoke to her credit. She has enrolled in Northeastern University School of Law. Previous to coming to Northeastern she worked in Greenfield.

## Plowing

By Frank P. Conant '44

Of all the varied work about the farm plowing has for me a certain strange allurements. Perhaps it is a kind of communion with Nature and the soil as once again I prepare the land for another season. Perhaps it is a bit of the artist in me. Those rising, turning, curling ribbons of sod, those long, parallel strips of up-turned soil all intermingled with the untouched greensward, form an intricate design, a pattern pleasing to my crude artistry.

Whatever this allurements be, the setting is conducive to a dreamy meditation. There is the wide expanse of sky with its ever-changing cloud formations, the nearby woods of pine and golden oak, the sharp little ravine with a meandering stream. In these peaceful surroundings of the countryside in late fall broken only by the occasional whirl of flocking birds and the sharp, steady exhaust of my tractor, one has time for his thoughts.

Recollections come of past crops and seasons, of the brave, green rye plants peeking from beneath the old snowdrifts of March, of sheep quietly grazing on this lush, green meadow, of grass burned brown and yellow by an unrelenting summer sun, of dry cornstalks talking in the chill November wind, of the white and drifted expanse of mid-winter, a smoothness broken only by the tracks of a single rabbit . . . A sudden lurch of the tractor. I am brought to my senses. Yes, the steering wheel had followed a course as devious as my memories.

Once more in line, then the turn, and the straightness of my lead-furrow allows further musings. I think of this same spot millions of years ago, no matter how many, when my meadow was a dry, red plain set between mountain walls, a plain on to which volcanic catastrophies three times spewed forth lava. With the passing of this era animal life over-ran the valley. Dinosaurs, large and small, bony fishes which have left their imprints in the rocks came, ruled, and now they are gone.

Millions of trackless years passed till the great glaciers slid quietly and irresistibly down from the north. They, too, could not last and in time retreated to their source leaving behind a welter of lakes and rushing streams. And right here where my plow is set there was a lake one hundred feet deep. But that is gone too.

My tractor is powerful, forty horses at my touch, but how puny are man's creations in the face of Nature! Sometime the volcanoes will roar again, the glaciers will scrape all in their path, and Man will have long since gone the way of the great dinosaurs.

Yes, there is a certain strange allurements about plowing.

## Meet Mr. Whitney

Have you had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Ralph K. Whitney who recently joined the administrative staff of Northeastern?

In case you have not, we would like you to meet him by way of the Nor'easter—until you can call on him in person.

Mr. Whitney was graduated from Springfield Classical High School, went on to Dartmouth for his A.B., received his Ed.M from Harvard, and at present is a candidate for a doctorate at Boston University.

In between times he was a member of the Class of 1925 Northeastern University School of Law. Upon graduating from college Mr. Whitney entered the teaching profession and has had a wide experience, having taught classes from first grade to graduate level in college.

In 1939 Mr. Whitney studied at the University of Edinburgh, Christ College at Cambridge University, and the University of London. He returned from Great Britain at the outbreak of the war to engage in teaching at Boston University and Northeastern. When we suggested that education must be his hobby, he declared it to be his vocation and that his avocation is outdoor sports, such as hiking, mountain climbing, and golf.

## Perhaps, Someday--

By Ruth Moore '42

"Beautiful that war and all its deeds of carnage must in time be utterly lost,

That the hands of the sisters of Death and Night incessantly, softly, wash again and ever again, this soiled world."

It is difficult at first thought to believe with Walt Whitman "that war and all its deeds of carnage must in time be utterly lost." Historians have written on many pages about the great destruction of life caused by war. We are living at a time when the massacre of human life and thought seems at its worst.

We think men have been living on this earth for such a long time that they should have learned that it is more natural to love than to hate. But in terms of life on other planets, life on earth may be very immature. The desire for love and tolerance for all mankind is planted in man's heart. When mankind has become fully grown, that seed will blossom into perfection. We as individuals living today will not know that perfection, but we are only

## Luke Joins Flyers

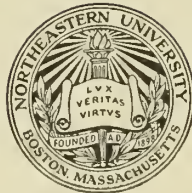
Our instructors tell us that all Northeastern students don't know what they are talking about; they are in the air. Last September one of these students, Luke Smith, decided to prove that the instructors were right. So he joined the Flying Cadets. The degree credits necessary for the Cadets were supplied by N. U. and accepted by the Air Corps examining board. This may be good news to those who would like to join but have not the two years of college necessary.

Luke is stationed at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, from where he will probably be sent to Randolph Field, Texas. During his training he gets \$75 a month and at the end of nine months he receives a 2nd Lieutenant's commission in the Army Air Corps with a salary ranging from \$205 to \$245 a month. When he left, Northeastern lost an able scholar, and the Air Corps gained a great guy.

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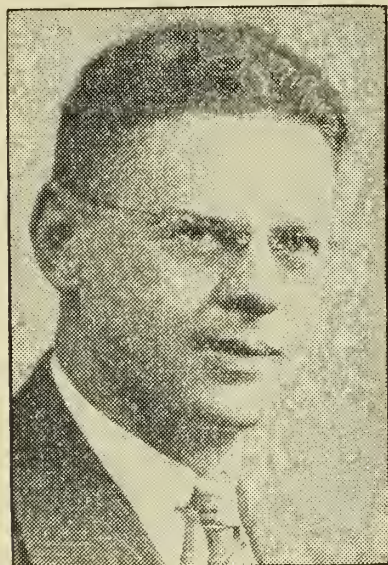
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## Northeastern Mourns Mr. Whitney

It is with extreme regret that the **Nor'easter** records the passing of Ralph Kimball Whitney, 42, registrar of the Springfield division of Northeastern Uni-



MR. RALPH K. WHITNEY

(Courtesy Springfield Union)

versity. Mr. Whitney died Sunday morning in the Wesson Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

In the demise of Mr. Whitney, Northeastern loses an administrator who made a

place of considerable importance for himself in education. Ralph Whitney, a native of Methuen, was graduated from Classical High School here in 1916 and from Dartmouth University in 1920. He was associated with his father, the late Willard R. Whitney, for a short time following his graduation from Dartmouth. He studied law at Northeastern as a member of the class of 1925.

He served as a teacher at the Central High School, Manchester, New Hampshire. Later he was headmaster at both Peterborough and Lebanon, New Hampshire. He taught at Boston University School of Education and at the School of Business at Northeastern in Boston for three years. In 1932 he received his master of education degree from Harvard and had nearly completed work for his doctorate at Boston University. His appointment as registrar of Northeastern University, Springfield Division, was made in August of this year.

To his stepmother, Mrs. Stella Whitney of Needham, and his brother, Dean Russell Whitney, of the School of Business of Northeastern, also of Needham, the **Nor'easter** wishes to express the sincere sympathy of the faculty and students of the Springfield Division.

## Dr. Ells Inaugurated N. U. President

Dr. Carl Stephens Ells, a member of the Northeastern faculty for thirty years, was inaugurated president of the University at Boston Tuesday, November 19. He succeeds Frank Palmer Speare, first president of Northeastern.

The induction ceremony, conducted by Robert Gray Dodge, chairman of the Board of Trustees, was held at the Boston Opera House, before an audience of Northeastern students and faculty and about four hundred distinguished educators and professional leaders. Director John D. Churchill represented the Springfield Division. The principal address was delivered by Dr. Harvey N. Davis, president of the Stevens Institute of Technology.

In his inaugural address President Ells stressed the service which Northeastern can render. "A democracy cannot afford to

waste brains and ability through lack of opportunity," he declared.

At the inaugural dinner held Tuesday evening at the Copley-Plaza, the speakers included Dr. Karl T. Compton, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Lieutenant Governor Horace Cahill; Dr. Clyde E. Wildman, president of DePauw University; Dr. Frank Palmer Speare, retiring president of Northeastern; Lindsay Ellms, president of the Alumni Association; and Dean William C. White of the faculty.

President Ells was graduated from DePauw University in 1909, with a B.A. degree. He received a degree of Bachelor of Science from M. I. T. in 1911, a Master of Education degree from Harvard in 1932, and a Doctor of Science from DePauw in 1935.

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## Alumni Plan Placement Service

Under the direction of Arthur F. Cooley, B.C.S., Class of 1929, a committee of Alumni of Springfield Northeastern is developing a new cooperative plan of placement service, intended to become effective in the middle of November, 1940.

The origination of the cooperative idea of securing positions, and providing students and alumni with an extensive counselling service followed the last Alumni Reunion and Election of Officers during commencement week in June. Neither the school, its administrative officers, nor the members of the committee receive remuneration for their assistance. The beneficiaries of all placements will be the employer and the student.

In considering a student for placement, his scholastic record and his practical experience are reviewed. This information will be registered on cards numbered and filed for permanent reference. The prospective employer is furnished with the facts as to the applicant's ability, character,

attitudes, habits, and other qualifications for the position to be filled as revealed by the school records. All records of applicants for positions are submitted to the Director for official recommendation.

The office, heretofore, has handled all the details of placing Northeastern men and women in important executive and managerial positions. However, the administrative officers of the college have been unable to reach employers in the wide range which will be possible under the new placement service which is to be operated by the Alumni of Springfield Northeastern in cooperation with the Director.

Now serving on the placement committee are Donald S. Tufts, LL.B., Class of 1929; William J. Bailey, LL.B., Class of 1936; William B. F. Hoppe, sc., B. B. A., Class of 1928; Edward B. Cooley, LL.B., Class of 1937; Thomas R. Moriarty, B. C. S., Class of 1930; Albert Homon, Jr., B. B. A., Class of 1933.

## Frosh Entertained

On the evening of October 19 the Student Council of Northeastern University sponsored a freshman reception which was successful in every way. Some 250 guests, composed of freshmen, upperclassmen and guests of the students were present during the evening and found dancing to Jimmie Mack's music very delightful.

Your reporter will give you a "glance by glance" description of the sights which met her eye as the dancers went round and round and the music played high and low.

Members of the faculty who attended the affair included Director John D. Churchill, Mr. Ralph K. Whitney, Mr. Ralph L. Bowen, Mr. Edward P. Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald N. Blomfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Torrey.

Al MacLennon, a graduate of 1940, and his wife, Betty, were there, enjoying the fun every bit as much as the uninitiated freshmen. Roger Bennett, class of '42 Law, was also tripping the light fantastic dreamily with his charming wife who only last year was a bride.

At one table the conversation ran rampant, touching upon subject matter widespread in its scope. Would you ever think Ken Ross would be bashful? I heard it told at the dance that he failed to appear to play "Little Boy Blue" at his first recital. Talking of Ken, he is a lieutenant in the Reserves, you know. He was exhibiting a telegram requesting him to report to Washington for further orders the Monday following the big dance.

The orchestra entertained for a few minutes. Jimmie Mack himself did some imitations and then proceeded to thrill his audience by whistling "The World is Waiting for the Sunrise." A drum solo "Honeysuckle Rose" also met with the approval of the assemblage. Miss Sonai Protzenka, the guest of a Northeastern student, consented to sing "Blueberry Hill." Her solo met with general approval.

Mr. Edward Hachadorian, chairman of the freshman reception, introduced

Eugene Jenness, president of the Student Council, who remarked in the course of a welcome to the freshmen that this was the largest turn-out we have had at the Freshman Reception in several years. Elizabeth Easson, president of ΣΝΥ, the organization for women, was then introduced. She welcomed the freshmen and told of the beginnings of ΣΝΥ away back in 1932. She told of the commendable goals of the sorority, among which is the annual scholarship. She closed her remarks with the hope for a year bustling with excitement and activity due to the large representation of women enrolled this year—thirty-six.

Al MacLennon extended a welcome from ΠΤΚ, and Harry Nystrom, vice president of ΕΦΣ, did the honors for that fraternity.

The director of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, Mr. John D. Churchill, following the welcome extended by the sorority and fraternity representatives, bade welcome to "all belonging to the great fraternity of Northeastern University." Referring to a statement made by Al MacLennon that it was because of his wife, Betty, that he stuck through the hard years of work at Northeastern University, Mr. Churchill said there is no finer reason for a chap's going to school than having been prompted to do so by his wife.

An invaluable morsel of advice was thrown to the audience by Mr. Churchill when he said, "Learn to know your instructors and you will find them equally as charming as your fellow students. Personal knowledge of the instructor adds much to the pleasure of acquiring an education."

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2nd Lt. James McCormack, School of Law 1941, has accepted a tour of active duty at Westover Field as Commanding Officer of Company D.

Mr. McCormack was previously Supervisor of the Bookkeeping Department at the Third National Bank, Springfield, Massachusetts.



## Council Meets

On Monday evening, November 18, 1940, the Student Council of Northeastern University held a meeting at which Edward Hachadorian gave a report of the Freshman Reception of which he was chairman. The Council gave Ed a vote of thanks for his splendid work in connection with the annual affair which proved to be such a huge success this year.

Considerable discussion took place concerning certain complaints which have been brought before the Council through the medium of the Suggestion Box in the store. All complaints offered, if signed, will be thoroughly investigated by the committee in charge which consists of Kenwood Ross, Maurice Baitler and William Buckley. One signer only to a complaint is required inasmuch as the petition system of complaining is not looked upon with favor here.

The Student Council has good news to bring you. It is believed that they will be able to secure Congressman Charles R. Clason as a speaker for the lecture meeting scheduled for December. The exact date of this meeting which is as yet undetermined will be posted on the bulletin board.

The question is quite naturally asked by students entering Northeastern University, "Where does my \$2.00 Activities Fee go?" The fund raised by this fee is used for the Freshman Reception, to finance the **Nor'easter**, to pay lecturers whom the Student Council can secure and to pay in part for the annual Spring Dinner Dance. At the end of each year any portion of this fund which is remaining is transferred to the Student Aid Fund from which it cannot be withdrawn. Incidentally, at no time can this money raised by the Activities Fees be deposited to the regular Northeastern account. It is always a separate account until the end of the year when the transfer to the Student Aid Fund occurs.

The national election is over—a thing of the past—which we will all accept favorably, we hope, as good citizens of these United States. However, did any of

## Law School Honors

The students whose names appear below were on the dean's list for the School of Law for the year 1939-1940.

To obtain membership on this list a student must be taking a course of twelve semester hours, and must attain an average of 80% for the year.

**Class of 1940**—Irving J. Angell, Frances A. Bryant, Seymour B. Harris, Morris Learner, Sager T. McDonald, Raymond M. Trudel.

**Class of 1941**—Harrison B. Clapp, Harold Sigda, John E. Reed.

**Class of 1942**—John Flynn, Jr., John T. Hanley, Jr. Frederic T. Suss, Maurice B. Baitler, A. Martha Davis, Frank Placzek, Socrates Geanacopoulos, George A. Ordway.

**Class of 1943**—Harley B. Goodrich, Louise C. Kennedy.

**Class of 1944**—Robert A. Adolphson, Demetrius C. Pilalas.

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### THIS YEAR

Here we are back again with our books,  
After a few months of rest;  
Meeting new faces with friendly looks,  
Starting new courses with zest.

Upper classmen returning this year  
Enjoy an extra pleasure,  
Greeting old pals, old friendships sincere;  
That later on they'll treasure.

With such fellows in circulation  
A happy year is in view;  
At socials, work, and education,  
Let's enjoy the things we do!!

Give instructors our earnest support,  
Let their efforts be our guide;  
And, ending our work with good report,  
We'll recall this year with pride.

Tom Brassill, '44

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you wonder how Northeastern's Pre-Election Poll, sponsored by the Student Council, came out? The results officially announced were:

Willkie, 152; Roosevelt, 116; Thomas, 8; Browder, 2, and Zahnb, 2.

## A Talk With Mrs. Porter

By A. Martha Davis, '42

To Miss Caroline Edith Bergmann who left the Northeastern office staff the first of August to become Mrs. Arthur G. Porter three weeks later we apologize for our blunder in the October issue of *The Nor'easter* where we referred to the couple as Mr. and Mrs. Bergmann instead of as Mr. and Mrs. Porter. While we are pleased to note that the Providence Division of our University pays attention to what we say in Springfield, it is twice as embarrassing to us to have our error copied. We are therefore doubly sorry, once for our own misprint and once for leading our sister school astray. At the same time we are sincerely grateful to the Porters for appreciating the funny side of the mistake.

We were talking with Mrs. Porter, whom you remember as Registrar Caroline Bergmann, a little while ago. She wants to be remembered to all her friends at Springfield Northeastern. In fact, we had to interrupt ourselves more than once and change from our telling her about Northeastern this year to her telling us about the new house she and her husband are building. She made so many friends during the six years she worked in the office behind the scenes that it took a long time to report about those she asked for by name.

It might be interesting to the newer members of ΣΝΥ to know that Mrs. Porter was one of the charter members of the sorority at Springfield Northeastern. As a matter of fact, she was ΣΝΥ's first President, and all the while she was attending classes she worked hard to found the sorority firmly and with a worthwhile purpose.

In 1924 Mrs. Porter, who was then Miss Bergmann, graduated from Northeastern University and was granted the B.C.S. degree. It was her intention to continue her studies with a master's degree as a goal, but she decided to follow the advice given her and started working toward a B.B.A. degree. Her duties in the office made her time for studying somewhat irregular, but she kept at it until she had

left only one course to take and one thesis to write. And then they changed the requirements for graduation from the Business School. She suggested that such information as this wasn't worth printing, that while she once in a while missed her contacts with Northeastern she liked better her present task of building a house.

Westfield is the home town of both Mr. and Mrs. Porter. If you know Westfield you probably know where the Old Hol-yoke Road is. That is where they are building their new home. They have two and a half acres of a small tract of land which Mrs. Porter's mother owned, and they expect to do a good deal of gardening and flower raising once the house is completed. Instead of hiring one contractor, as Mrs. Porter says, and having him build them a house and turn the key over to them when it is finished, they have two contractors and are buying their materials as they are needed. That keeps Mrs. Porter busy during the day while her husband is at work because either one contractor or another needs something most of the time and shopping for the best values has to be done in short order. At the present time the house consists of a cellar. That at least, says its proud owner, is finished. The rain was bad enough this month, but snow, while anticipated, will be discouraging.

The house building is also somewhat slowed down until their carpenter returns from his two weeks' vacation.

The Porters are having as much fun as they have had in many a year and *The Nor'easter* and Springfield Northeastern wishes them all possible good luck, best wishes and as many "happily ever afters" as they can find time for.

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Second Lieutenant Kenwood Ross of the Ordnance Reserve has accepted a tour of active duty in the office of the Hartford Ordnance District, 95 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Lieutenant Ross is a student in the School of Law, Class of 1941, and has been employed in the office of Walter C. Ross, Patent Attorney.

## The Listener In--

regrets that the copy for this column was not ready in time for the first publication, and apologizes. T'won't happen again.

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finds that the many protests as to the cluttered up cloak room seem to fall on barren ground. However our hopes are not shattered, — — yet.

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has been requested to ask all students and instructors not to pay any attention to the Seeing Eye dog "Russ" who so skillfully pilots Mr. Nagle about the corridors. Constant attention tends to interfere with his training. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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wishes to pass on the well grounded criticism which was heard this summer emanating from law students who were deprived of the privilege of enjoying their summer vacations because their law marks were not forthcoming until the last week or two before school reopened.

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calls your attention to the beautiful new plaque placed in the lobby by EΦΣ Fraternity which perpetuates the scholarship awards to the highest ranking sophomores.

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notes with satisfaction that the bursar's duties are once more functioning smoothly under the able guidance of Mr. Bowen.

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finds that at long last the democratic principles which have made this country great, have finally invaded our most august institution in that students have been given the privilege of voting for part of the student council members. It is a step in the right direction. Keep up the good work.

When you get something for nothing, you pay twice what it's worth.

## Enlistee's Dream

By Edmond W. McNamara

'Twas early one eve' of a bright crispy day,

When Indian Summer was not far away.  
That I strolled down the street at a leisurely gait,

Down to the old clubhouse, my chums for to wait.

I lazed in the doorway, before going in,  
Ignored by the people who huddled within.

I just couldn't figure the meaning or gist,  
Of the unusual commotion at a place like this.

Then one man looked up with a look as of guile.

But he then greeted me with a welcoming smile.

"Come in", said he and he offered his hand,

And invited me in with the rest of the band.

I accepted his bid and timidly went,  
In the midst of those people on strategy bent,

In forming a team for defense of the land,  
'Neath the watchful eye of Head Coach  
UNCLE SAM.

I gave him my name, my father's name too.

And I told him what I for a livelihood do.  
He gave me a card to show I belong.

And I hurried home, my heart full of song.

How proud I did feel to think I might be,  
A help in maintaining our dear liberty.  
Like a rookie I harbored an unspoken dream,

That I might deserve a place on the team.

I waited two weeks for the coach to decide,

By lottery, who would work by his side.  
My number was called, right at the start.  
A sinking sensation pricked at my heart.  
And now that I finally a soldier would be,  
I resolved that the very best that's in me,  
Would be used for success in every plan  
Of our team and our leader, Head Coach

UNCLE SAM.



## A Man And His Dog

"A man's best friend is his dog." How many times we have heard these words! It was with much enthusiasm that John Nagle informed a Nor'easter reporter: "Russ is the best friend I have ever had—he gave me independence."

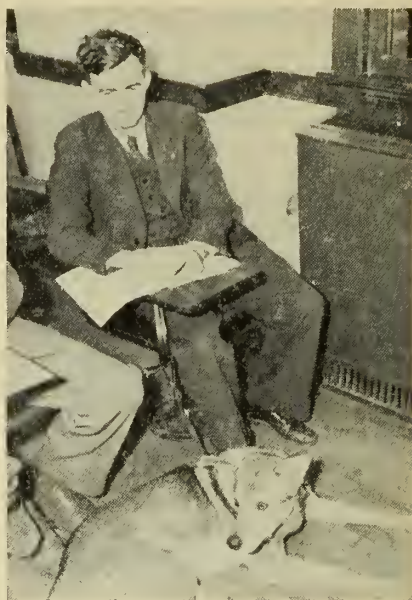
John, who is a member of the Law Class of 1942 and who lost his vision eleven years ago, spent one month of his last summer's vacation at the Seeing Eye School at Morristown, New Jersey. When he returned from Morristown he brought with him Russ, a sixteen-months-old, male German Police dog, with whom John had undergone much scientific and technical training. It was a long, tedious task to win the dog's respect.

A "Seeing Eye" dog begins his career at the age of one year. The selection of one for a particular person depends upon many factors. The height, weight, manner of walking, and disposition of the individual, as well as the disposition of the dog, are essential considerations.

Naturally the dog's health is of primary importance. His diet requires particular attention, it consisting daily of one and one-half pounds of beef, with which is mixed Purina dog chow. The amount is given to him in two servings. The weather does not cause his master any worry, for the dog's "double coat" of fur is unaffected by heat, cold, rain, or snow.

The purpose of such a dog is to supplement the individual. John told me that many persons have a mistaken idea as to the manner in which Russ serves him. John must know the route to his destination and Russ is subject solely to his command. There are but three words that he uses to enable himself to get from one place to another without the assistance of others. Those three simple words are "FORWARD," "RIGHT," and "LEFT."

Russ stops at curbs and before stairs and does not move until commanded. When crossing a street he is not given any commands after he is given the instruction to proceed. The dog then exercises his own judgment until he reaches the curbing at the opposite side of the street. John



JOHN AND RUSS

(Photo by Gordon H. Chandler, '44)

trusts him more in traffic than he would a human being.

Russ does not discriminate between situations. Whether persons are friendly or hostile to John is a matter which is not for his determination. He is a guide and not a protector. The "Seeing Eye" dog would fail to serve his purpose if he were too aggressive; he must be as indifferent to others as possible.

While John greatly appreciates the interest shown by his friends and fellow students, he requests that they do not try to pet the dog. While I was interviewing John, Russ attempted to gain my attention by playing with the laces in my shoes. It was indeed a temptation to play with the dog in spite of the request John had just made. John returned to Morristown a few weeks ago for some further instruction and training of the dog. John's desire to be gentle and kind with his friend caused him not to be so strict with Russ as he should. The dog must constantly be in training and must not be allowed to become lax in his work.

John wishes his friends to refrain from



offering him assistance unless he asks for it. Such attention causes Russ to relinquish his responsibility and he would thus cease to be John's independence. An experience when John first had the dog illustrates the reason for this demand. When crossing a street a pedestrian offered his assistance. At that moment Russ felt he was no longer needed and an accident nearly resulted.

The Nor'easter wishes continued success to John and to his friend Russ. Each of us is certainly convinced that to John "a man's best friend is his dog."

## New Staff Members

A commendable spurt in interest in the school paper has been noticeable this year. The old gang of faithfuls has been augmented by four new members, new at least to the Nor'easter, all of them graduates of former papers. By their writing ye shall know them.

This is no life boat; but it's ladies first, anyway.

Miss Katherine Porter is new to both Northeastern and to Springfield. She's a blond young woman from St. Paul, Minnesota. She graduated from the Central High School of that city in 1934, and numbers a spot on the school paper as one of her accomplishments. She keeps body and soul together and pays her tuition by working in the U. S. Army, Hartford Ordnance Department. Literarily speaking, she looks good.

Then we have Betty Roberts, whom I'm sure most of you already know or at least have seen in the corridors. She entered Northeastern Law school in 1937 after graduating from Waterboro High School, Waterboro, Maine. Betty works at the Hampden County Law library, which, incidentally, doesn't make her look anything like a bookworm.

Then on the other side of the great divide we have Thomas Liberty, a graduate of the High School of Commerce in 1939. He's taking an accounting course here at school and when not doing his home work spends his time looking for a job.

Next, we have Alcide J. Guilbert, High

School of Commerce, 1938. He's enrolled in the accounting course and pounds out a living at the Ralph D. Jones Corporation as a compositor and type editor. Newspaper work, therefore is right down his back. Well there they are, four of them and they all look like up and coming young scribes.

## Sorority News

Since the last time we talked about ourselves we have had two parties and piles of fun.

On the Saturday before Hallowe'en Eunice Donovan, acting secretary for the remainder of the current year, turned her house over to us, and at the same time, in spite of the uproar, remained the perfect hostess for our annual Get-Together Tea. For the first time in many years there were present almost an equal number of first year students and members of the society. We made a total, before the afternoon was over, of 27—counting students and alumni. During our getting acquainted we played lotto with beans, or whatever, with Louise Kennedy calling the numbers and Frances Bryant winning the prize—three times.

By the time our tea, and a good deal more, was over everybody knew everybody else's name for the moment—almost.

On the sixteenth of November S.N.Y. and the first year women students were guests at Elizabeth Easson's home. Miss Easson, our President, spent her early years with her family in India. She spoke on "Rambling Recollections" of her experience in India and showed us thrilling colored slides of that country. She had exhibits for us to look at—lace, samples of native letter writing, done by a scrivener to whom the letter writer tells his story, and many curios. We were all capitally entertained and we know a lot more than we did before. About eleven, after the dishes were wiped, the party broke up and the girls caught the last bus home.

The Christmas party will be held December 7, Saturday, in the early evening in Westfield. Transportation for all will be arranged. See the bulletin board.

## Captain Spurr

War—once more the fashion plate of Europe and Asia, has forced our President's call to all Americans to join in a National Defense of our country. Again, and again, with each note ringing through our halls, Northeastern men have answered. Smitty and Doug to the Air Corps, Karl and Kenny to the Army, while Claude is soon to become a Navy man. Yes and others too have gone and among them our friendly and much liked physics instructor, Mr. Jerome L. Spurr.

He, too, has answered the call to colors and is now captain in the Corps of Engineers Reserves, serving at active duty as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

His new work consists of instructing Reserve Officers Training Corps students in the advanced course in combat training, leadership, and the duties of engineers.

With the modern trend toward complete mechanization of war machines, too much stress cannot be placed on the importance of training men to cope with these new tendencies. Captain Spurr can be entrusted to do his job well.

Captain Spurr was introduced to Northeastern students in 1931, when he was called upon to teach a course of Physics, and later another in Applied Mechanics.

Starting with the current school year a new course, Applied Thermodynamics, was included in the Engineering curriculum, to be taught by Mr. Spurr.

Since his early youth, Mr. Spurr has had a keen interest in things scientific, and while at Boston English High, was a member of the science club.

It was natural that he chose M. I. T., where he became an honor student, as his school for further study. The stiff full program that he carried while at Tech, which along with his regular studies, included an R. O. T. C. course, and the necessity of working his way through school, gave him a good foundation training and practice for the later years that have shown him to have a great capacity for work.

After graduation from Tech with a B. S. degree in Civil Engineering, and also with a Second Lieutenancy in the R. O. T. C., Captain Spurr began his association with the Metropolitan district water supply commission, where he eventually became Assistant Civil Engineer. It was from this position that he recently resigned to take his new post in the Defense Program.

As a young college graduate the now Captain Spurr was one of the first to start work in the now newly finished Quabbin Reservoir which will supply water for the Boston Metropolitan district. During his approximately 13 years of work on this project, Captain Spurr had charge of preliminary investigation which included exploration of the foundation and finding suitable soils for the hydraulic type of construction used in building the dam. He was also in charge of control tests during construction, of which the major part was completed early in 1939.

After his work at the dam site proper was finished, Captain Spurr was placed in charge of concrete control for the pressure aqueduct which is a supplement of the existing system and will bring water into Boston under pressure, and in this manner eliminate local pollution of the water.

Though Captain Spurr's work on the water project and his teaching program at Northeastern, would seem to require all of his attention he was still able to find time to forge ahead with his Reserve Officers commission. He also instructed at summer Military Camps at Fort Devens for the Organized Reserve Corps, and during the inactive season, was an Assistant Instructor for the Army Extension School.

Captain and Mrs. Spurr and their three boys, eight, three, and one years of age lived for some time in the Quabbin Reservoir district, but with the passing of the towns, to make way for the Reservoir, were forced to move along with the other residents of that area, and are now living in Wellesley Hills.

Stamp collecting and flower gardening are the main diversions of the Spurrs. Their gardens which were mostly con-

posed of roses and delphiniums drew much praise.

To the charming Mrs. Spurr goes the distinction of being the last president of The Quabbin Club, of Enfield. She is a member of the Presidents' Club of Massachusetts.

After his service in the Army is no longer needed, Captain Spurr would like again to return to Northeastern.

It is his wish and desire to see at Northeastern an enlarged Engineering Department, independent of Business subjects.

Captain Spurr is a member of the Society of American Military Engineers, Society of Civil Engineers, Masons and Knights Templar, and a member of the Faculty club at M. I. T.

Yes, Mr. Spurr, Northeastern is proud of your service and achievements.

## Listen, My Chillun'

Here we go again . . .

In rummaging through the myriad of disassociated thoughts that clutter up my mental garret in a day's idle journey, I find one, a discordant reflection, worthy of the telling.

I never cease to wonder at the peculiar faculty of human beings to absorb the awful. The future forever rises up before us with greater and yet greater threats of disaster and ruin. And somehow when the future becomes the present and the awfulness of the threats becomes the awfulness of the realities, it doesn't seem to smother us the way we thought it would. The peoples of the conquered nations of Europe at one time must have looked with real horror at the possibility of being bombed from the sky and yet they were bombed, thousands of people were killed, cities, the pride of centuries, were leveled. And yet with all their worst fears now stark realities, they have not perished; they live, perhaps, very much the same as they lived before. Yes, their national pride might have suffered, might even have died; but that is an abstract thing with the average individual, nothing really hurts the individual that does not interfere with the law of self preservation. What happens

to your neighbor may bother you, a threat against the national structure might incense you to war, the righting of what you might think a wrong might lead you to outright murder, and yet with all the outward cloaking of you gone, liberty, station, pride, you will remain very much the same person. Without taking life itself, I don't think anyone can take a great deal from a people. A side light on the above. Now that Roosevelt has been reelected, we have nothing further to worry about. I'm sick of this shirt anyway.

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To any of you folks who would like to get a bigger view of a big problem, read Anne Lindberg's "Wave of the Future". It's superbly written and deals prettily with an unpretty subject. You may not like it because it's the truth and the truth is seldom well received. Read it anyway.

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It is not the purpose of this column to inquire into the various functions of the organized groups immediately attached to the school; in the interest of the student body as related to what they get for their student activities fee, however, I feel justified in asking the Council what has happened to the speakers' program we all enjoyed a few years back. The talks I personally attended were well received by a fair sized audience. Why they were discontinued, and it appears that they were, is something to think about, and in my opinion, something to talk about.

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Headline in a New York paper.

"Night Club Girl Offers to Marry Conscript."

Darn white of her, I'll admit. It makes me think of a fellow I met in the Veteran's Hospital outside of Washington, D. C. He was very proud of the fact that Mary Pickford had kissed him goodbye as he entrained under the first conscription act. I can see him yet—well built fellow—about thirty-five years old at the time—pleasant personality, ambitious too, you could tell by his hands—the way he gripped your hand you knew that here was a man who would go places—too bad—yeah, you see, his whole face had been shot off.



## Introducing--

In 1920 Mr. Leland W. Smith, instructor in mathematics, received his A. B. degree from Harvard College, where he was a Phi Beta Kappa member. In 1936 Columbia University conferred upon him an A. M. degree. He is a Past President of the New England Association of Mathematics Teachers, and has published a Solid Geometry text book which was at one time used in the Springfield schools.

Since 1923 Mr. Smith has been an instructor in Mathematics at Classical High School. He has also taught at Springfield Junior College and Northeastern University Summer School.

Mr. Frederick C. Ober is the teacher of Credits and Collections in the School of Business.

Born and raised in Springfield, Mr. Ober attended Harvard and was graduated in 1932 with an A.B. degree. In private life he is Assistant Treasurer of the Springfield Five Cent Savings Bank.

Although this is his first experience at teaching, he seems well adapted to the job. He fits in so well that he says, "my enthusiasm is so high I almost feel that I am a member of the class myself, instead of being teacher.

"Were I to be told that students could be so alert and so deeply concerned with their studies as the students of Springfield Northeastern, I simply wouldn't believe it, but seeing is believing."

Mr. Elo C. Tanner, a member of the Northeastern faculty since 1937, received a B.M.E. degree from the University of Minnesota, and is now studying an advanced course at the University of Pittsburgh.

Scouting has always interested Mr. Tanner, and he has had an active part in the organization. He has been an assistant scout master, scout master, and is now an assistant commissioner.

In discussing Northeastern, Mr. Tanner said that he thought it was an excellent

idea to have a school of this type in this vicinity for the people who cannot afford to go to a day college. He also said that he believes that all the students are conscientious and serious-minded about their work.

Mr. Tanner is employed by the East Springfield division of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co. He is a designing engineer in the commercial refrigeration department.

His work at Northeastern is teaching Advanced Engineering Drawing and Design.

Editors note: Other instructors, including new comers Richard E. Holmes, Heat Engineering; Leonard C. Flowers, Physics 1 and 2; and Mr. Robert B. Clark, Economics will be interviewed for the next issue of *Nor'easter*.

## Doug Seeks Wings

In the last issue of the *Nor'easter* an article appeared about one of our Northeasternites who joined the Air Cadets.

Upon investigating further it appears that we have another young man who is in the so-called West Point of the Air. He is Douglas Metcalf who was in the Engineering & Business School, class of 1943. He was formerly employed in the engineering department of the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Co. and enrolled in August, 1940. He was sent to the Municipal Airport in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Since his enrollment, the class he was in has been reduced by one third due to failure to meet the required standards.

However, "Doug" is still going strong. In two or three weeks he expects to be transferred to Maxwell Field where the fast fighter ships are located.

While at Northeastern "Doug" was a member of  $E\Phi\Sigma$  and well liked. We who were left behind wish him the best of luck, and hope he gets his "Wings" very soon.



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"Government of the people, by  
the people, for the people, shall  
not perish from the earth."

---Abraham Lincoln

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## Defense Training Program Initiated

Recognizing the need of industry for men with specialized training, the Emergency Engineering Defense Program of Federal Government, through the U. S. Office of Education and the engineering colleges of America, is now offering certain technical courses to qualified applicants. These courses entail no tuition charges.

To be eligible, an applicant must have three or more years of full college training in an accredited engineering school or, in a very few cases, definite, valuable industrial experience. Approximately 300 applications have been received by the Springfield Division of Northeastern University—a greater majority of the applicants having the necessary qualifications. In this group over 40 per cent are graduates of schools such as the Universities of Louisville, Idaho, Maine, Cincinnati, Cornell, Dartmouth, M. I. T., Worcester Polytechnic Institute and the Royal Industrial Institute of Foligno, Italy.

The program in Northern New England has been put into the hands of M. I. T., Harvard, Tufts, Northeastern University and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. In this vicinity, the Northeastern University College of Engineering will serve through the cooperation of the Springfield division of the University.

The following courses are offered:

**Production Supervision**, on Monday,

Wednesday, or Friday. Instructors are Thomas O. Armstrong, Edwin L. Emens, Stanley S. Prackneck, and Ralph W. Bennet, all from the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

**Machine Design**, on Monday and Wednesday. Clifford S. Cody and Carl F. Alsing are the instructors.

**Applied Mechanics**, on Monday and Wednesday. Instructor, John C. Purves.

**Methods Engineering**, on Wednesday. Instructor, Andrew Linton, Jr.

**Higher Mathematics**, on Monday and Wednesday. Instructor, Fred W. Hutchinson.

**Engineering Drawing**, on Monday and Friday. Instructor, Chester L. Thorndike.

**Materials Testing and Inspection**. This course, the only one in the program which does not meet at Northeastern, is holding its sessions at the United States Armory. Instructors are William P. Fitz-Randolph and Henry P. Langsten.

Registration for these courses ceased on January 10, when all classes were filled. The total enrollment is 203. Sessions began January 20 and will continue for twenty weeks.

Students now enrolled in engineering courses at Northeastern were not encouraged to take these special courses. It is suggested that engineering students at the present time consider the matter from this standpoint: If a man should

transfer to E. D. T., he would thereby postpone and defer the day of completing his course, would have thrown away practically a half-year's work for which he would receive little or no credit. In addition, while such a transfer might result in immediate advancement, he would find the number of E. D. T. courses for which he would be eligible definitely limited by the limitations he had imposed upon himself by dropping out of his present curriculum.

## LAW STUDENTS MEET

At the first National Conference of Law Students held in Washington, D. C., December 27 to 29, Harrison B. Clapp, '41, chosen by the Student Council to represent the law school of Springfield Northeastern, was elected Regional Vice President for the New England area of the continuing organization to be known as the National Council of Law Students.

The conference, which originated with students in the New York, Washington and New England areas, on the assumption that mutual problems such as employment opportunities and the adequacy of legal education could be fruitfully discussed at a meeting with nation-wide representation, was held under the auspices of Howard University in the District of Columbia. This university, a negro institution, supported by Congressional appropriations, has the distinction of comprising the largest community of negro scholars in the world and has graduated nearly ten thousand students who make up a large percentage of the negro professional class in America.

At the opening luncheon President Mordecai W. Johnson of Howard University delivered an address of welcome, discussing the criticism currently levelled at members of the learned professions, including the bar, for allying themselves with the status quo rather than serving as forward looking members of an advancing community. The first conference session was held on Friday afternoon, December

27, on the general subject: "The Law Student Looks for a Job."

The second conference session on "Legal Aspects of Contemporary Problems" was in two parts, the first of which considered the protection of labor and living standards, and the second was devoted to a consideration of "Constitutional Liberties Under National Defense."

The third conference session on December 29 was on the general subject: "The Law Student at School".

At the final conference session Mr. Laurence R. Sperber of Harvard Law School, delivered a key-note address summarizing the work of the conference and describing particularly the aid of extra-curricular organizations in helping prepare lawyers for service to a democratic society. The conference adjourned after adopting a plan for a continuing organization and electing an executive board to hold office until the next meeting of the National Council of Law Students which will probably be held in Chicago in December, 1941. The executive board chosen was as follows:

President—Laurence R. Sperber—Harvard Law School  
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 Stanley Geller—Harvard Law School  
 Norman A. Bomze—National University Law School  
 Francisco Corneiro—Harvard University Law School

## Defense Brings Faculty Changes

Mr. John D. Churchill, director of the Springfield division of Northeastern University, was interviewed recently about emergency faculty adjustments, arising largely from the defense program.

"Emergencies are always with us, so much so that they are part of the daily round of all people and all businesses, and must be met and accepted in the best possible manner," said Mr. Churchill.

In a fine college with recitations in the evening, fine because it can get instructors that day colleges cannot afford, one of the more or less regularly expected emergencies is that an instructor may be called from town for an indefinite period or even permanently. When it is Northeastern in which these things happen, it is doubly bothersome because here sessions that are missed are not overlooked but are made up. Caring for these cases is one of our regular problems and when there is a war going on as is so sadly the case in these days, the emergencies are more frequent.

In connection with this Mr. Churchill spoke of eight or nine instructors who have been called during the fall and winter because they were officers or who have had to meet changing business conditions caused by war and complicated by other matters.

As a Christmas present, during the last week of classes before the holidays, Mr. Robert B. Clark, instructor of Economics 1-2 was notified that he had been called to duty right after the New Year, and Mr. Ingham Baker, instructor of Distribution 1-2, who even then was completing make-ups for missed sessions, found he would have to be absent for about half the time during the second semester. The director learned of Mr. Baker's problem first, and was reaching for the telephone to ask Mr. Clark to assist Mr. Baker during the second semester when the phone rang. The caller was Mr. Clark notifying Mr. Churchill that he had been called to service. This double emergency, however,

has been happily solved by Associate Dean Miller, the Director and two long time Northeastern faculty men.

One of these two Northeastern men, who are always willing to do anything for the University, is Mr. David Brown who already handles the other division of Economics 1-2. Mr. Brown has agreed to take over Mr. Clark's division for the second semester.

The other Northeastern man, Mr. Wendell H. Berry, sales manager for the college and school department of Milton Bradley, was associate director of Springfield division Northeastern University 1925-1928 and instructor in sales and management for the same period. He returned to Springfield a year ago after a long period of service with the Shawmut Bank in Boston. Mr. Berry will assist Mr. Baker with the Distribution classes during the second semester.

When Mr. Berry was interviewed in connection with this emergency he stated that he would do anything in his power for Northeastern. Since then he and Mr. Baker have got together and worked out their individual schedules of their trips about the country for the next four months in behalf of Milton Bradley and G. & C. Merriam, and have also worked out the class schedule. As a result of their efforts the class in Distribution will not only have a sequence of recitations but also the unique privilege of sharing the experience and knowledge of two instructors.

Mr. Berry graduated from Bowdoin and then took his MBA degree at the Harvard Graduate School of Business. In addition Mr. Berry lacks comparatively little of having completed the requirements of Springfield Northeastern for an LL.B. degree.

This is the way emergencies arise and are met here at Northeastern and pretty much the way they arise and have to be met everywhere, war or no war.



## PI TAU KAPPA PARTY

Saturday, December 21, has come and gone, and with it PiTK's Merry Christmas party. A full house of Deltaites and their guests, eighty-six in all, assembled at the Captain Charles Leonard House in Agawam to welcome in the Christmas season by having a little fun in the approved manner.

A tea reception in old English fashion was enjoyed, with Mrs. Alfred N. MacLennan, wife of Delta's president Al, as hostess, assisted by Mrs. Karl A. Vester, Mrs. Ernest Carlson, and Miss Barbara Halladay, ladies of past presidents. During the tea, music for dancing was supplied by Jimmie Marsh and his orchestra.

Dancing, games, square dances, and fun followed, only to be temporarily halted by a visit from old Santa himself, who presented gifts to everybody. (Ask Harley Goodrich about his present.) After caroling came a buffet lunch. Trays of delicious food soon disappeared to satisfy the whetted appetites of the happy crowd.

With the singing of "Silent Night" and the interchange of cordial wishes for a Merry Christmas the party broke up in the warmth of good fellowship, and with happy memories of a joyous holiday gathering.

The committee for the affair included Edward Hachadorian, chairman, Larry Brundrett, Franklyn Ferguson, J. Raymond Lester, Alfred N. MacLennon, and Ernest C. Swanson.

## Martha Makes Magic

SNY Sorority enjoyed more than an hour of magic the other evening at Martha Davis' home, and if you find any of the members looking a bit bewildered it will be due to the sleight of hand tricks and the magic money trick that Miss Davis performed. The girls were out in very good number, twenty-five, and Santa being present and standing up beside the tree, his helpers distributed gifts to all. Refreshments were served and disposed of in a very short time—lovely cakes, frostings, and every thing that's nice!

## THOUGHTFUL YOUTH

By Robert Cullen, '42

Be kind and be Gentle  
To those who are old  
For kindness is better  
Far richer than Gold.

She was Santa's helper, her arms were laden with packages for young and old, her ascent into the bus was slow and weary, her arms and back ached. Hadn't she been shopping all day? And what a day! Stores were crowded, streets were jammed, everyone was finishing his last minute purchases, but here at last were a few minutes rest, a ride of about two miles on the bus would give her just enough relaxation to finish her walk from the end of the line to home.

He had only one leg. I knew it because I could see the wooden stump beneath his pant leg. He had been standing at a shipping bench all day, for his arms and eyes could still work. He could provide for his family and none of his work came back marked "wrong address," or "contents incorrect." The young men working with him had still a long way to go to equal his daily outgo of packages. Today was the worst yet. It seemed that thousands of packages went through to be RUSHED—RUSHED to homes everywhere to fill them with Christmas joy, but how tired he was now. A long ride home on the bus, but then he would have some rest riding and then a cheerful, comfortable, and loving home for a night's peaceful, contented, and well earned rest.

Three school boys, a Christmas party, hearts full of "Peace on earth, goodwill to men." Kindness and courtesy were in the air. Wasn't it almost Christmas? They looked at the two who had just got on to the crowded bus. These gentlemen, products of the local schools and good American citizens, looked at them and said one to another.

"Keep your seat. We got here first."

It's hard to convince some people that when a girl goes to Northeastern she goes to get an education.

## INTRODUCING---

Introducing **R. C. Holmes**, instructor in Physics at Northeastern. Mr. Holmes was born and brought up in Pittsburgh. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Carnegie Tech and his M. A. from Pittsburgh University. At Carnegie Tech he majored in Electrical Engineering. After graduation he obtained a position with the Railroad Motor Design Corporation. The depression set in with resulting unemployment for Mr. Holmes.

In 1932, he became connected with Westinghouse in Springfield. He is in the engineering department of the Air Conditioning Branch.

Vegetable gardening, music and teaching are his hobbies. Mr. Holmes is very much impressed by the seriousness of the students at Northeastern and the very businesslike way the school is administered.

Another hobby is making plans for a new house he plans to build in the near future.

Northeastern welcomes from the East Springfield division of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, **Mr. Leonard C. Flowers**, who was appointed instructor of Physics in the absence of Captain Jerome Spurr.

Mr. Flowers was born and educated in the environment of Irwin, Pennsylvania, a suburb of Pittsburgh. At the age of seventeen years, he completed his studies at the Irwin High School and began teaching in the fifth grade of the elementary school in a small mining town near his home.

During his attendance at Carnegie Tech, he became a member of Sigma Nu and Tau Beta Pi fraternities. He was also associated with the Druids, a political organization at Carnegie Tech. Mr. Flowers is a member of the fraternity of Honorary Engineers and the American Chemical Society. His previous teaching experience includes instruction in chemistry and engineering drawing at Carnegie Tech and the teaching of physics and

chemistry at the Canal Zone Junior College at Panama.

At the Westinghouse plant, he is employed as a materials engineer. When he is not working, Mr. Flowers enjoys historical and scientific reading, and he appreciates symphony music but says that he is a piano player only "for his own amazement."

In his opinion, Mr. Flowers believes that Northeastern maintains high standards and gives many advantages to the ambitious students, who thereby become useful to the community. "I have always enjoyed teaching" said Mr. Flowers, "and I am glad to get back and do some."

**Mr. Robert B. Clark, Jr.**, one of the several new instructors who have joined the staff of the University this fall, was called during the Christmas vacation to service in the United States Army. He has been instructor in Economics I-2.

Mr. Clark was graduated from Dartmouth with an A. B. degree in 1928. In 1929 he received his M. C. S. from the Amos Tuck School of Business Administration.

While golf and badminton are his after-business hobbies, we think his "grande passion" must be advertising, for he holds several key advertising positions. Assistant Advertising Manager at the Strathmore Paper Company, Advertising Manager at Old Colony Envelope Company, and Advertising Manager at Rising Paper Company. He carries his liking for advertising still farther as a director of the Springfield Advertising Club.

**Mr. Ingham Baker**, instructor of Distribution I-2, came to Northeastern this year succeeding Mr. Alden French.

After Mr. Baker's graduation from Classical High School in Springfield, he attended Amherst College for two years. His education at Amherst was terminated by the World War. He served the American cause in France, and upon his return from the conflict, he completed his work for his A.B. degree at Dartmouth. Later he attended the Tuck School of Business, associated with Dartmouth.

Upon completing his course at Tuck,

he went on the road as a salesman for the G. and C. Merriam Company, dictionary publishers. He was not on the road long before he was called to the home office. There he has been ever since.

At the present time he is Assistant Treasurer and a director of the company.

## LISTEN, MY CHILLUN

### How's your blood pressure????

Few scenes in a generation of living will prove more amusing in a tragic sort of way than the present one of mass hysteria coursing through the veins of our beloved America.

Shouting names and pointing fingers will send your blood pressure soaring, may eventually send you to war; but it will not make a single plane or tank.

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**President Theodore Roosevelt** counselled that we speak softly and carry a big stick. Some of the present leaders of our land fill the air with their childish name-calling, and all the while we lie prone with no stick to defend our scorner's seat.

It might be argued that such rabble rousing may be necessary to awaken the people to the danger at our door. Let us clear the issue. The only thing America can do at the present time is to arm herself—quickly—thoroughly—and with as little confusion as possible. All the rest, the stone throwing, the blustering ballyhoo, and the arm around England act is just so much spinach and a bit of red herring.

Why can't we cut out the song and dance and start making a few sabers instead of wantonly rattling an empty scabbard? The money is on the barrel top, the greatest industrial structure of all time—fifty million men—awaits the orders to go ahead; and yet, somehow we can't seem to get going! And all the while some of those who represent our fair land shout into the cannon's mouth—

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\* **The political machinations** and vagaries of Capitol Hill were laid bare in a recent

informal talk to the students by our local solon, Representative Charles Clason.

From rags to riches—ward-heeler to president—the how and wherefore for the politically ambitious was the object of Mr. Clason's talk; and as a true veteran of the political weapon he did a fine job.

As a qualification on the above, we might say—in fact, we will say—that through the entire pattern a fine white thread of political partizanship was easily discernible. The writer gathered the impression that if all the Democrats were laid end to end it would be a very good thing.

The other subject in Mr. Clason's repertoire of the evening was on National Defense Preparation. A talk on this particular phase of our national scene reminds me of a farmer looking at an egg that the old hen has been setting on for weeks—he hopes there's something there but he certainly can't see it.

We had a reasonably good turnout for Mr. Clason's chat; and columnar comment to the contrary, I see no reason why the student council cannot provide us with more of these speakers.

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**Now along a lighter vein**—ΣNY came through with a most appropriate although somewhat tardy suggestion for the holiday season. And it is with some regret that it was not received in time.

The glamour kids of Northeastern (Upsilon) suggested that a mistletoe be hung in the doorway opposite the bookstore. This site was chosen after much discussion for its commanding view in all directions, east, west and down the middle.

It was thought that perhaps a separate license for promiscuous osculating might be hung near the faculty room and in that way eliminate any hogging of the facilities by such wandering minstrels as The Messers E. T. and E. G.

As we said, we're sorry the whole thing was proposed too late to see its fulfilment; we hope, however, that the passing of a year will not cause our ambitious sisters to lose sight of this most worthy accessory to our school.



## DIS IS OFFISHEL

Date: Friday the Thoiteenth

To: Da guy what writ dat word "shoit" on de bullitin Boird.

Subject: Defacing and otherwise becoming complacently accessory to the misuse of university property.

"Message laboriously translated into the vernacular with which the culprit would be cognizant."

Youse:

We'se believe in freedom of speek so's we'se let's studes and studesses post messages on de boird about books and suches they has fer sail. Last week some gent put up a notice about Tuxes fer rent for \$2. so what does our fresh friend do? I ask you—what does he? He takes a pencil or borried one or snitched one and writ on dis offer of barter and trade (if he understands what I mean)—the woids "shoits one buck".

Now we knows that one buck can wear only one shoit—at oncet time—so why the plural (if he understands what a plural is) form of the noun (if he knows what a noun is)?

Now youse that done this—The policy of the University follows the policy enun-  
ciated by a famous Frenchman—"I'll defend with my life your right to say it"—but not to write on the bulletin board—

"No soap".

## Library Additions

Fourteen new books, several of general interest and a number applicable to special fields, have been added to the Library of Northeastern University since the beginning of the school year, 1940-41. These books are listed for easy reference:

Adult Education Councils—Ruth Kotsky.

Education for Social Understanding—Gaynell Hawkins.

The Worker's Road to Learning—T. R. Adam.

Organization and Management in Industry and Business—William B. Cornell.

Mr. Tompkins in Wonderland—G. Gamow.

The American Colleges and the Social Order—Robert Lincoln Kelly.

Problems in Accounting Aids to Management—Andrew Peterson.

Planning the Community School—Engelhardt and Engelhardt.

Pi Tau Kappa, A History and Album.

The Story of Our Literature—John Louis Haney.

Junior English Grammar—C. H. Ward.

Chambers's Technical Dictionary—C. F. Tweney and L. E. C. Hughes.

Design of Electrical Apparatus—John H. Kulmann.

Principles of Electrical Engineering—William H. Timble and Vannevar Bush.

## Parent In Air Corps

Claude R. Parent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abel Parent of West Springfield, was ordered to Squantum, Mass., on December 16, to commence his service with the Naval Reserve Air Corps. After one month of training there, he will be transferred to Pensacola, Florida, for a seven-month period. If he is successful, and the Nor'easter is convinced that he will be, he will then be commissioned and ordered to serve with the fleet.

Claude was graduated from West Springfield High School and has completed four years' work in Engineering and Business here at Northeastern, having been on the Dean's List each year. He has been employed in the Engineering Department of the Gilbert & Barker Manufacturing Company.

## N. U.'s Get Ahead!

Here is an example of the rapid promotion of Northeastern men:

Two weeks ago one of our students got a job as a bookkeeper for a Springfield furniture house. One week later he was made Assistant Treasurer.

P. S. This was necessary so that he might write checks.



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"To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive and the true success is to labor".

---Robert Louis Stevenson

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## Colonel Higgins, Other N. U.'s In Service

Northeastern's outstanding figure in military circles today is Colonel John J. Higgins, Commanding Officer of the 104th Infantry, Massachusetts National Guard. Colonel Higgins graduated from Northeastern University, Springfield Division, in 1924. A natural born leader, John J. Higgins was vice president of his class. December 16, 1926 was the date he passed the Massachusetts Bar Examination, only one of the many obstacles he has conquered. Immediately on being admitted to the bar, he went into practice for himself. In the legal profession he gained city-wide recognition and served as City Prosecutor for a period of two years. John J. Higgins was a World War Veteran before he enrolled at Northeastern. During the last war he was connected with the Ordnance Department and taught machine gunning. Following the Armistice and after conditions returned to normal, John J. Higgins entered in the National Guard as a 1st Lieutenant. His abilities were not long in attracting recognition. Successive promotions in rank were his reward, culminating in his appointment as Colonel in the latter part of July 1940. At the present time Colonel Higgins, with his regiment, is at Camp Edwards on Cape Cod, the National Guard having been inducted into the regular army in January of this year.

Several undergraduates have enlisted or been drafted into the service of their country. We have tried to get a com-

plete list of such students. The following is the result of our efforts.

From the school of law Kenwood Ross, '42, has entered the United States Army as a 2nd Lieutenant. Lieutenant Ross is attached to the Hartford Ordnance District. Ken graduated from Massachusetts State College in 1937. He is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma.

James J. McCormack, also from the school of law, class of 1942, is a 2nd Lieutenant attached to the Boston Corps Area, Quartermaster Corps. Lieutenant McCormack is stationed at Westover Field. He is assigned to Company D, a motor transport company. Recently Lieutenant McCormack was appointed Defense Counsel for Westover Field following a course which he took at Baltimore, Maryland. On Thursday, February 27, Lieutenant McCormack defended his first client at a military court-martial.

An official press release from the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board, First Naval District, Boston. (Squantum). Massachusetts, reveals that Ervin Frank Auchter of Wilbraham and West Springfield, Massachusetts and Claude Roger Parent of West Springfield, have qualified for appointment as Aviation Cadets, United States Naval Reserve. Both of these boys, Northeastern students, will obtain advanced flight training at the Naval Air Station, at Pensacola, Jacksonville or Corpus Christi. The intensive course covers a period of seven months, at the comple-

tion of which Messrs. Parent and Auchter will be commissioned Ensigns, designated as Naval Aviators, and awarded the Navy's coveted Wings of Gold. They will then be ordered to active duty with the Aircraft Squadrons of the United States Fleet. Ervin F. Auchter attended West Springfield High School, Monson Academy, Springfield College and Northeastern University, Springfield Division. He has always been active in young people's work, served as a camp counsellor for four years and volunteer Y. M. C. A. worker for five years. Claude Roger Parent also graduated from West Springfield High School in 1937. He was a member of the Class of 1942, Springfield Division of Northeastern University. He attended classes here for four years. For five years he worked for the Gilbert and Barker Manufacturing Corporation. Mr. Parent graduated from primary CAA course last summer at Barnes Airport, Westfield, and received a private license.

Four undergraduates from the school of accounting have answered the call to colors. Frank A. King, Jr., 75 Haywood Street, Greenfield, class of 1945 has joined the Air Corps. The class of 1946 has lost two of its members to the United States Army. They are David F. Bradley, 188 Oakland Street, Springfield and Robert G. O'Connor, 49 Elmdale Street, West Springfield. A naval enlistee is Thomas P. Gilbert Class of 1945, 22 Cherrelyn Street, Springfield, Massachusetts.

Three members of the Business Management Course have left school to serve Uncle Sam. A recent draftee was Donald J. Keiser, 44 Fernleaf Avenue, Longmeadow, an unclassified student. Word was received that John W. Hamerich, 36 Willow Street, Springfield, Class of 1945, was enlisting in the United States Army. From the class of 1946 Victor W. Paounoff, 26 Denton Circle, Springfield, has gone on active duty with the United States Naval Reserve. It is interesting to note that Victor has a brother in the United States Army.

The Engineering and Business Course has two representatives in the military ser-

vice. They are Richard W. Weitzel, 20 Marengo Park, Springfield, class of 1946; and Jack W. Giles, unclassified student. While here Mr. Giles lived at the Y. M. C. A., but his home address is 511 Craig Street, Grove City, Pennsylvania.

Undoubtedly there are many more graduates and undergraduates who have joined the military services of these United States in connection with this country's intensive defense program. Of each and everyone of them Northeastern University, Springfield Division, is justly proud and to all of them Northeastern extends its heartiest wishes for success in their new fields of endeavor.

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## Ability Tests Given

Excepting students in the School of Law, the Pintner General Ability Tests were given in December to each freshmen class in the day and night sessions of all divisions of Northeastern University.

A total of 136 students from this division applied their knowledge to the questions. One hour was allowed to complete the series of tests.

The general average is known as a standard median. A score of 193½ points is required for this average. In previous tests the Springfield Division score has been two to three points above the general average.

The general results of these tests are withheld from publication as a policy of the institution. However, if the individual desires to know about his test, he may obtain this information through the Registrar but under certain conditions. The person must have a definite reason and not merely curiosity.

All papers have to be sent to Boston to be checked. Because of the large number of tests to be corrected, no information will be available until the latter part of the year.

The Pintner General Ability Tests were "developed to fulfill modern requirements for a complete series of group tests of general intellectual ability or aptitude covering all levels from kindergarten age to maturity.."

# I Refute Socialism

By Ted Drewniak '42

"Four or five milk wagons break the stillness of the early morning hours rattling over the same streets. Four or five . . ." Norman Thomas has caught my fancy; not the socialist but the individual. The perennial socialist would eliminate waste and inefficiency in milk distribution. One milk wagon could better supply the customers in a certain district and eliminate costly repetitive travel. To project the point, why not eliminate the waste and inefficiency of style changes and individuality in clothing? I'm sure the ladies could all agree on some one particular style of dress or uniform, alike except necessarily for different sizes (no way of eliminating that), probably white, but no, white shows dirt too quickly, inefficient and wasteful you see, some one color anyway. Don't necessarily call it regimentation, but rather Norman Thomas's brand of socialism.

Yet, essentially, the man Thomas is an individual. Watch him as that trip-hammer pen word-rivets securely the paragraph plates to the topic beams of his socialistic theory ship. There is but one Norman Thomas. Therein lies the fallacy of socialism. The world has yet to discover an identical set of fingerprints. Nature has provided the earth with an incomprehensible myriad of individuals. Therein lies the practical refutation to socialism.

Individuality is my taste, my peculiarity, my idiosyncrasy. It is my distinction, my character, my identity. Supersede my individuality and you have destroyed my initiative. Destroy initiative and you eliminate nature itself, the survival of the fittest. With it goes its basic principle—competition.

Norman Thomas disparages the costly inefficiency and graft in the "bewildering and unstable pyramid of (electric power) holding companies." He would eliminate waste, graft and inefficiency by outlawing competition and eliminating duplication of effort. He would institute socialism. In truth he would institute on a national

scale the very system which the public utility in the sanctity of its franchise has riddled with graft, nepotism, and high rates.

Witness the trend to cottage housing, certainly a step away from economical community housing, with an efficient central heating system. For the sake of economy consider the probability of sharing your automobile with your neighbor to fill in the periods of its inactivity.

The socialist needs but to converge that myriad of individuals into a single rut of thought and keep them there.

Optimistically speaking, the socialist is a singular individual.

## A Portrait

A placid gentleman with ruffled look  
Whose knowledge was gleaned from more  
than a book,  
He quiets his classes from their banter and  
clatter  
By the inductive process of "mind over  
matter".  
A stern looking soul who smells of cigar,  
Speaks of "Lawyers" and "Members of  
the Bar";  
He shuns modernistics and likes old  
drawfty cawstles,  
Talks of Profits a prendre and Lords and  
their vawssals.  
A wisp of gray hair, gray suit and blue  
tie,  
Betrays his good humor by twinkling eye;  
Holds up "Future Interests" as a terrible  
dread,  
Suspends our future interests from slender-  
est thread;  
Has taught well in this school for many  
a day  
But's never been known to pass out an  
"A";  
Knows plenty more law than either Little-  
ton or Coke,  
In comparison to him they're trivial  
blokes.  
By the foregoing, you can't have mistook  
But in case you have, it is our Dr. C——.  
—Anonymous.



## Council Plans

Patriots' Day, April 19, 1941, is the date for the Student Council Dinner Dance. President Carl Ell of Northeastern University was to have been the guest speaker at this gala affair to be held at the Hotel Kimball, but word was received from Boston to the effect that President Eli would be unable to attend due to pressure of business in connection with the building program. It is expected that Johnny Newton's orchestra will play for dancing, but as yet orchestral arrangements have not been completed. The Student Council Dinner Dance is "the social event of the year". At this dance the faculty and students intermingle freely and all get to understand each other better.

Watch the bulletin board and future issues of the Nor'easter for more complete information about the Dinner Dance on April 19th.

Already the Council has brought one speaker to the school this year. He was the Honorable Charles R. Clason. All expenses incident to securing lecturers are taken from the Student Activities Fund. In the near future it is hoped that the students will have the opportunity to hear Thomas O. Armstrong, connected with the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, and in charge of Production Supervision in the Engineering Defense Training Course here at Northeastern. The bulletin board will give the date as soon as it is definite.

At the present time Eugene Jenness, President of the Student Council, is making plans to arrange for Morton Read to show his picture, "Holiday in Dixie" at school on or about April 1st. Mr. Read only recently gained nation-wide recognition for his achievements in the field of moving pictures.

If the students at Northeastern will attend the lectures and the Annual Student Council Dinner Dance; in other words, enter into the spirit of the school, they will readily and willingly write across the receipt for the Student Activities Fee, "Value Received".

## Information Please

Have you noticed the questionnaire posted on the central bulletin board relative to changes of home address, of mail address, of employment, and of telephone numbers? It is desirable that everyone keep the office management informed of these changes.

The importance of telling the office management of such data can be seen in this instance. One student wrote his address on his application to Northeastern University and gave a street and number. The street was renamed and renumbered after the student's application was filed. In other words, the original residence had not been moved, but the address was not the same.

As an aid in counseling, changes in employment should be recorded with the registrar. A recent incident proves the importance of filing employment experience. An alumnus of Northeastern, who graduated from the School of Law, was appointed as an instructor in the present Engineering Defense Training Course, because the office knew that his experience justified such an appointment.

When you have made a change of your home address, of your mail address, of your employment, or of your telephone number, make it known immediately to the registrar. Be prepared for any emergency. This information is requested for the interest of students as well as that of the office. Let's cooperate.

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## He Made A Sale

During a session of Mr. Gilbert C. Walker's class in accounting, a young lad with intense curiosity and a most pleasant personality, stood at the threshold of the open door to the classroom. With a bundle of newspapers under his arm and a copy in his hand, the youthful salesman sought to sell his merchandise.

Mr. Walker informed the persistent little man that he had no desire to buy a paper. However, the lad was not content with his customer's refusal. He became

interested in the subject being explained and was invited to join the class.

With no hesitation, the future Northeastern freshman took his place at the front of the group. The older boys and girls were impressed and amused by the presence of the earnest young fellow.

After ten minutes of discussion and illustration, the youngster determined that he should leave as he had to sell his remaining papers.

His personal behavior and his ambition caught the admiration of everyone. Mr. Walker made a purchase of a newspaper and the master salesman went on his way.

## Sorority Initiates

ΣΝΥ Sorority held its eighteenth annual initiation banquet at the Hotel Sheraton, Saturday evening, January 11, at which time eleven new members were inducted into the Sorority; and, by the way, that is the largest number to be initiated at any one time. Betty Easson, President, was chairman of arrangements, assisted by the Vice-President, Louise Kennedy, Mary Hurley, Jean Cameron, and Betty Brainard.

Thirty persons were served a delicious dinner. It was indeed a pleasure to have with us seven members of the alumnae. Reservations were made for another but it seems she mixed up her engagements. Better luck next time, Hazel!

From all reports it might be said the candidates were put to great tasks, although they tell us it was loads of fun. May we present our new members:

Dorothy Deitz. Dorothy was graduated from Classical High School and is enrolled in the Accounting course. Her father keeps her busy in the office of the Standard Tire and Sales Company.

Ann Greenan. Ann was graduated from Cathedral High School and is a special student in Accounting. Her employer is the A. G. Spaulding Company.

Eileen Griffin. Eileen's alma mater is Classical High School and she is undertaking a Management course. She is employed in the office of Attorney Robert W. King.

Doris Johnston. Doris is our "Connecticut Yankee," having graduated from Enfield High School. She is enrolled in the Accounting course, and is employed in the office of the Bigelow-Sanford Company in Thompsonville.

Jean Kusnierz. Jean was graduated from Chicopee High School. She is taking the Accounting course, and is employed as a bookkeeper-stenographer in the office of the New England Neon Sign Company.

Evelyn O'Neill. Evelyn was graduated from Ludlow High School and is the only one among us who is in the Engineering and Business course. These days, Evelyn, this is an important field in which to be. Her employer is the Ludlow Manufacturing and Sales Company.

Katherine Porter. Katherine was graduated from Central High School, St. Paul, Minnesota. Business Management is her course and she is employed by the United States Army, Hartford Ordnance Department.

Mary Scahill. Mary attended Cathedral High School and is undertaking an Accounting course. She is employed by Fred C. McClean, Heating Supplies.

Ruth Scott. Ruth was graduated from the High School of Commerce and is taking a Management course. Her employer is the S. S. Kresge Company.

Ann Sullivan. Ann was graduated from Cathedral High School and is a Special Accounting student. She works in the office of the Dunham Trucking Company.

Mrs. Dorothy Surette. Dorothy was graduated from the High School of Commerce and is enrolled in the Accounting course. She is employed by Dr. Charles L. Furcolo at the Furcolo Clinic.

## Louise Kennedy Elected

At the annual meeting of Sigma Nu Upsilon held February 20, 1941 in the Women's Club Room, Louise Kennedy, '42, Law, was elected president for the year 1941-1942. Jean Cameron in the accounting class of '45 was elected vice president. The secretary elect is Eileen Griffin '46, Business Management and

Elizabeth Roberts, '42 Law, is the new treasurer.

The sorority decided that it would be well for the secretary to have an assistant and Eileen Griffin was allowed to choose a club member to help her with her secretarial duties. Her choice was Ruth Scott. The standing committees for the year will be appointed in the near future and the names will appear in a future issue of the Nor'easter.

The new officers have the record of the past year with its many accomplishments to try to equal and, if possible exceed. The financial report read by Elizabeth Abihider was a glowing one and leaves Elizabeth Roberts with a very high mark to strive for, the past treasurer having made 100% collection of dues, past and present, this year. Sigma Nu Upsilon has as one of its aims the promotion of good fellowship among the women members of Northeastern University. To achieve this they strive to have at least one social activity a month during the school year. The report of the year's activities read by Eunice Donovan, secretary who was appointed to succeed Jean MacPaul when the latter left for a school in Boston last fall, revealed that the sorority under the guidance of Elizabeth Easson nearly accomplished the task of holding a social activity every month.

Alice Sidor who, because of illness at the time of the initiation, was unable to attend was told the purposes of Sigma Nu Upsilon. The pledge was administered to Alice by Elizabeth Easson after which she was formally admitted to membership.

Miss Easson was particularly anxious to have the Annual Meeting with its attending routine duties over with on Thursday evening, inasmuch as she boarded the train Friday evening for New Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras.

### Card Party

Delicious refreshments opened an afternoon of fun at the Colonial Tea Room, Hall Galleries, on Saturday afternoon, February 15, when ZNY sponsored a card party, proceeds from which are to

be used for the Sorority's Scholarship Fund. Fifteen tables were at play, and a table prize was awarded to the winner at each table.

Betty Easson, president, Louise Kennedy, vice president, and Mary Scahill were members of the arrangement committee.

## Sigma Celebrates

Epsilon Phi Sigma celebrated Washington's birthday by having its annual dinner-dance at Hotel Kimball.

We were extremely fortunate in having the decorations used by the sponsors of the Beaux Arts Ball which event was held the preceding evening in the Embassy Room. Spacious murals lining all four walls provided a setting of informality. The subject matter of the murals consisted of comic strip characters—Alley Oop brandishing a war club while precariously perched atop faithful Dinny, Dagwood experiencing the throes of another domestic drama having to do with washing dishes, Jiggs drifting down to earth via parachute, Donald Duck, Moon Mullins,—just to mention a few characters.

Approximately fifty couples danced to the lilting rhythms of Johnny Newton and his orchestra.

George Leger thought that ΕΦΣ ought to have a song of its own so he composed one. He took over the mike at the intermission and dedicated his latest song hit to the fraternity. He then proceeded to give a rendition of his latest song hit aided and abetted by six other members of the fraternity. Congratulations, George.

A large committee of eighteen alumni-undergraduate members worked diligently to make this annual event a grand success. The members of the committee are: Ken Ross, chairman, Abe Simons, Ralph Jandreau, Tom Moriarty, Bus Cooley, Gene Riley, Joe Jennings, Bill Chapman, Steve Warwick, Art Paroshinsky, Ben Klempner, Gene Jenness, Hary Nystrom, George Leger, Bill Buckley, Bob Draymore, Joe Onorato, W. J. Bourgue, and Tom Bras-sil.



## N. U.'s Get Jobs

The need for skilled labor continues to increase with the present speed of business and industry. In this forward march of expansion, Northeastern University is doing its part in training men and women for these positions.

Time study jobs have been filled at the East Springfield plant of Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company. Service positions in the electrical refrigeration and electrical appliance divisions of Westinghouse have been taken by students and graduates of Northeastern. In its effort to secure an employee for office detail work, a printing establishment sought the services of Northeastern University and employed the applicant.

Many individual concerns have requested applicants with the ability to do accounting and stenographic work. Such a person would operate a one-man office.

The Massachusetts State Employment Agency has come to this office for assistance in finding skilled employees.

The alumni employment council under the direction of Arthur F. Cooley, B.C.S., class of 1929, is doing excellent work in correlating employment data relative to students and graduates of Northeastern University. Men and women of ambition, industry, and integrity, who are in jobs which do not show a good future, should file an application with the registrar for the work in which they are interested.

The office requests that all persons sent as applicants for positions report the results of their interview. Regardless of the success or failure of your call, show your willingness to cooperate by reporting the outcome of your interview to the registrar.

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(Editor's note: And when you get a new job or a promotion, hand a notation of that fact to any Nor'easter staff member. We like to publish that kind of news.)

## Law Students Meet

On the evening of February 17, 1941 the law students of Northeastern University, Springfield Division, were dismissed from classes at 9:05 P. M., to attend a meeting at which Harrison B. Clapp, '41, recently elected regional vice president for New England area, reported on the National Conference of Law Students held at Washington, D. C., December 27 to 29. Mr. Clapp gave a very interesting report of the accomplishments of the conference to a few students and Dean Rice of the Law School.

The aims of the National Council of Law Students, an outgrowth of the conference, are, or should be, of interest to all law students, for the primary subject of the conference was jobs. Students in the corridors are often overheard discussing the improbability of their getting good connections upon graduation, but to spend a few minutes listening to a report of a group which is trying to accomplish a fruitful future for law students through concerted effort, is asking too much of them.

The National Council of Law Students is planning a definite job survey. It will attempt to cooperate with state and local bar associations. They hope to determine what areas are most in need of legal services. It is obvious there are sections right here in New England which could well stand more legal service.

Another worthwhile suggestion came from Philadelphia's Bob Abrams who discussed the innovation of the Neighborhood System. This is a method of co-operative law offices kept open every afternoon, the lawyers working on a part-time basis. Each lawyer spends only one afternoon a week in the office. The purpose of the plan is to provide legal advice for persons who could not otherwise call upon the services of a lawyer. To the law students congregated at Howard University, Mr. Abrams stated that this plan can be operated on a paying basis.

The establishment of a National Journal of Law Students is another bright hope of the National Council. Mr. Clapp stated



that it is hoped it will be possible to get the Journal under way within the next few months.

There was considerable discussion covering extra-curricular activities carried on in the various colleges and universities represented. For instance, at Columbia is a group occupied in drafting statutes at the request of various members of the New York Assembly. Another group works on specific problems turned over to them by practicing attorneys. All of the cases involve some novel points of law and require a substantial amount of legal research on the part of the students.

One of the most interesting speakers at the National Conference was a New York lawyer who argued for development of a Ministry of Justice within the Department of Justice. The late Justice Benjamin Cardozo recommended the establishment of such a bureau some years ago. The American Bar Association and the American Law Institute have done notable work in this field, but it is felt that there should be a definite group working steadily for a fair remuneration. They would serve the legal profession in essentially the same way that the Department of Commerce serves business men.

At the conclusion of Mr. Clapp's remarks, Dean Rice stated that he had received a very fine offer from the American Bar Association. If Springfield Division of Northeastern Law School can guarantee a sizeable audience the American Bar Association will furnish a speaker of national prominence to address the group. Before very long all law students will be circularized to determine whether or not they would attend such a lecture to be held on a Monday evening after school, and to determine what phases of the law they would prefer to have discussed. If Northeastern is to play host to a nationally prominent figure and to the Bar Association of Springfield it will be necessary that at least two thirds of the students enrolled in law be present at the lecture.

Have you ever wondered about the origin of the movie cowboys? We have,

## I Hate War

By Ruth Moore

I hate war. It will leave a stain on the world which will never be eradicated. In the dim past when the world was not at war, I was a pacifist; I believed that I would never use force. And now when the right side seems apparent, I am not sure of my convictions. I rejoice when Great Britain strikes a blow. If I had the opportunity of helping her win, I believe I would follow the mob and shoot the heart out of those whom I do not hate.

I am sure Great Britain will win, if there is such a thing as winning a war. We shall probably take part in this horrible mess. Couldn't we be human when the time of armistice arrives?

My plan is idealistic. I would secure great teachers, not those teachers having the most initials after their names, but those most capable of loving and understanding. I would have these teachers in the schools of conquered countries. They would not teach the American, English, Italian, or any other national way of life. They would teach each child to think for himself. This teaching would go on for two or three generations. All of this time conquered countries would be governed by a world court. Their land would not be taken from them. Every aid possible would be given to all nations so that they could rebuild their factories, schools and churches. We could do this if we loved enough.

When everyone thought for himself there would then come a time when all people would be free. This would not come in the blazing glory of the sun, or even in the quiet grandeur of the moonlight. It would come in the soft slow twilight, when men are relaxed and at ease, and when fierce passions flame no longer.

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and we have found the answer in Economics 9, when the genial Mr. Brown made this statement: "... little by little barb-wire forced cowboys off the ranges and they finally landed in Hollywood."

## Listen, My Chillun'

Letters to this column are something of a rarity, so that when we do get one we feel justified in sharing with you our good fortune. The fact that our letter was all arsenic and no lace does not dampen our spirits a whit.

This particular spoonful of vitriol came from a student in Law '41 and he takes us apart in no uncertain terms. He accuses us of political partisanship and of airing personal views under the name of the paper. I quote from his letter: "The Nor'easter is published in the interests of Springfield Northeastern" — "I question the right of any person to use its columns to cast reflections at any other person political or otherwise."

The charges are not entirely groundless and if at any time we have offended any student's sense of right and wrong we're sorry.

The Nor'easter is published in the interests of Springfield Northeastern in my opinion; and when the walls of this building become synonymous with the boundaries of our interests then I want my tuition back; this will be no place of learning. The interests of Northeastern, my friend, should be as wide as the universe and as long as the ages.

To question the right of anyone to say anything, anywhere, anytime is something to chew over. With freedom squirming beneath the iron heel in half the countries on the globe, it seems like rather an inopportune time to question the right of free speech and press; especially when most people are leaning over backwards to preserve it.

In summation, let me take you into our confidence, Law '41. We who write the Nor'easter, do so because we enjoy it, for no other reason, we don't take ourselves seriously, maybe we do fall down on some of finer points of journalism; but we like the Nor'easter, we're kind of proud of her. True she's not much, but she's yours and mine; let's both be proud of her. Let's work together and make her something to be proud of, in other

words. What do you think of this country? Fine, write it down and let's have it. It's your paper as well as mine.

Now that undergraduate appetites have gone from goldfish to dream girls we can be sure the millenium is not far distant.

The only fault we have to find with Springfield College's dream girl idea is that the entire contest, if that's what it was, was done with pictures and, boy, can you take a sticking on a picture. Take a tip from an old blind dater, if you are planning to do any girl dreaming, I mean dream girling do it in the flesh. Pictures have a subtle way of lying.

I saw a movie star in the everyday once. That was probably the first real awakening of my youth. What a shock. She explained later that she'd been hit by a truck.

So, if you have any inclinations along the dream-girl slant, skip them for a beer; the beer is real.

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We notice the notice.

The student council is hot on the track of another speaker. We understand they practically had him snared this past week, but alas he eluded them again. With everyone ready to talk about everything or anything, it's remarkable that the council can't get one to talk here. However, indications are that they'll bag this fellow before the school year ends. That will make two we've heard in nine months of school. Nice going, council—an orchid to you—or a cabbage.

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## The Right To Live

I recently read a startling article by Pearl Buck—"They Who are not yet Born." Startling to me because I had never thought of the question in that light before. Her article dealt with the conversation of three woman visitors to her home. Two of them were mothers. Their children were in another room, happily coloring a crayon book. One of the mo-

thers was going to have another baby soon. The third woman was newly married. She was Elsie, whose father had been killed in the first World War the year she was born.

Julia, one of the three women, suddenly exclaims, "I wouldn't have a baby now!" In one of these sudden unexplained pauses in conversation the words fall like a stone thrown into a quiet pool. She is asked, "Why not, Julia?" And Julia's brown eyes grow darker. "The world is too horrible now. I'd never forgive myself if I brought another human being into this mess."

Now I claim no capabilities for discussing a subject of this nature. It is one that is usually reserved for the more intimate discussions of the other sex. But it started me to thinking, "Why, it's true!" The gates of life are being locked against millions of children waiting to be born. All over the world women are locking the gates. Birth rates are not rising even at the commands of the dictators. Perhaps even in Germany women are not deceived by the new value set upon them. There is a bestial symbolism in that vast air-raided shelter beneath Hitler's offices in Berlin, which he has made into an elaborately equipped maternity hospital. "Breed!" is the command of the modern Moloch. "Breed me more babies!" Yet in spite of all, women are locking the gates, and they alone can unlock them, for they control creation. Their power is more formidable than any power that men possess, and if women are beginning to realize it, who can blame them?

And yet, as we think of millions of women like these three, we cannot but ask another question. Who gives anyone the right to pronounce against giving life to children? Has anyone the right to decide for a child whether or not he shall be born into the world of the times—the only world, after all, that we have? History proves that the life of the human race is one of infinite struggles. Let no woman dream that her child can escape that which no one has escaped.

But we ought not to seek escape for

either ourselves or our children; for no one is happy when he escapes the life of his times. To live in security when others are insecure, to have peace and safety when others have the despairs and horrors of war, is to miss the happiness of belonging to one's world and of helping to shape it and change it.

Who wants to be born into a perfect world? What is there left to do in such a world? What challenge, what place for anger and indignation and pity and effort and sacrifice and triumph and achievement? These are the things that make it worth while to live and therefore to be born. These things are always in the world, and children have the right to life and to their share in the world. If they find confusion and trouble and evil, they have the right to their chance at working for order and peace and good. Whether they succeed or fail has nothing to do with it. They have the right to try.

## It's Hard, But--

One might express one's self clearly by words and sometimes by actions, but to construct a report, letter or review that tells exactly what he is thinking and what he wishes his readers to understand, takes careful and considerable study of good understandable English, correctly used and properly presented.

English is the hardest of all languages—not because of the conjugation of verbs which used to terrify the students in foreign language classes—but because of our use of the same word for so many different purposes.

In a government course given this summer, the instructor was handicapped severely by this one problem, the misunderstanding and poor use of certain English words and phrases. If the writers had taken more care with the construction of their articles and bulletins that the students were required to read, there would not have been the necessity for English instruction.

"Since system work must be accomplished through men and women and not



through machines, it is necessary that the system man be able to express his ideas clearly. He must know definitely what he is trying to accomplish and be able to make this entirely clear to those who will carry forward the plan."

The above statement by Heckert in "Accounting System" will give you the essential requirement for the study of English for any advancement in the business world. You might know your work to the Nth degree and possess the qualifications for the position of president of your concern, but if you can't get this information across to those who need and require it, in a way that they can interpret with ease and with full understanding of what you say or write, you might just as well discount your ambitions.

Many people have said of others, "That man is a leader in his field, the best educated man I have ever heard, and unusually intelligent;" and yet they do not understand what he is talking about. I say that such a man is lacking in intelligence because of his lack of the power to interpret his subject for others.

## Minuet By Kappa

Through the atmosphere of old lace and tin types, ΠTK carried their annual dinner dance to a most successful ending on Washington's birthday. The Dolly Madison gown looked down at the frontier muskets in Wiggins Old Tavern and curtsied its quiet approval as ΠTK's ladies swished their taffeta through

American yesterdays.

A well planned program of dancing followed the dinner, and an old fashioned reel brought the bustled belles and the pantalooned gents down from their colonial walls to swing their ladies once again to "Turkey in the Straw."

A number of Kappa's familiar faces were missing and were missed. A good sized crowd, about one third visitors, found much to their liking throughout the evening, and for an excellent choice of place and plan, the committee gets an orchid.

## We Wonder--

Why the women members of the graduating class take their hats off during the Commencement exercises.

Why the faculty appears in such small numbers at the Baccalaureate Service.

Why there is not more interest on the part of undergraduates in the Commencement Exercises.

Why there is complaint about the Student Activities fee. We looked up several school catalogs, both day and evening divisions, and found fees in other places running from five to fifty dollars.

Why we use text books published eight years ago.

Why Northeastern was not recognized with other colleges located in Springfield when the list of schools was given over a wide net work program one Sunday evening not so very long ago. (Gaston, call the Chamber of Commerce.)

Why we're writing this.





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"Brotherhood here in this strange world  
is the rich and  
Rarest giving of life and the most valued:  
Not to be had for a word nor a week's  
wishing."

—Archibald MacLeish

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## Six Win Commencement Appointments

Six young men have been selected from the senior class to prepare commencement orations. From these two will be chosen to speak at the exercises on June 4.

The provisional appointees, to whom the honor came as a result of high scholastic standing, are Harrison B. Clapp, School of Law; Frank S. Jamro, School of Engineering and Business; Robert L. Mathews, School of Business; Stuart Reynolds, School of Engineering and Business; Louis Searleman, School of Business; and Harold C. Sigda, School of Law.

**Harrison Bates Clapp** is the son of Mrs. Edith W. Clapp of 179 Massachusetts avenue. He graduated from Classical high school in 1928 and attended

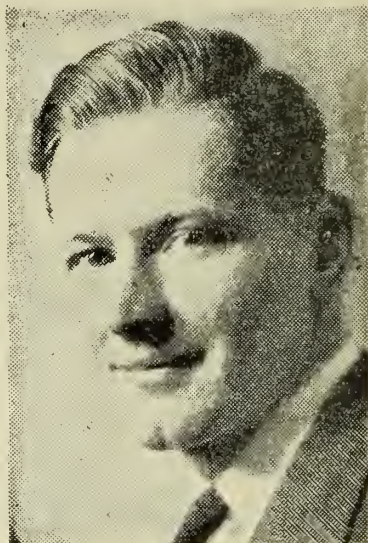


HARRISON B. CLAPP

Amherst college where he received the degree of bachelor of arts in 1932. He is now employed in the law department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance company. Mr. Clapp is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Tau Delta, Delta Sigma Rho and Sigma Nu Epsilon. He is regional vice-president of the National

Council of Law Students and a member of the Student Council of Northeastern university during the years 1938-1941.

**Frank Stanley Jamro** is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jamro of 18 Frontenac street, Indian Orchard. He graduated from the Springfield Trade school in



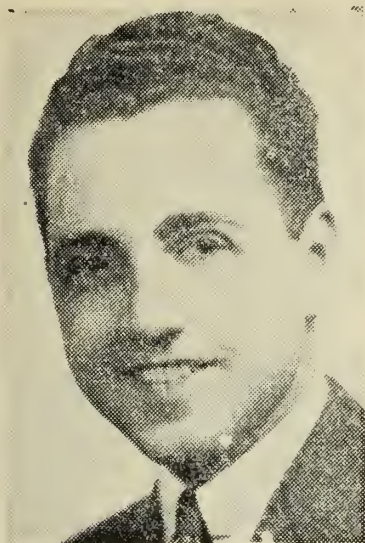
FRANK S. JAMRO

1933 and is now employed at the Electric Motor Repair company as a polyphase motor winder. Mr. Jamro is a member of the Student Council and of the committee to award honors to the students of outstanding ability.

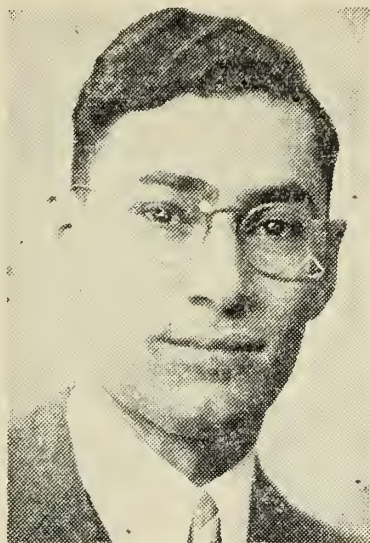
**Robert Louis Matthews** is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Matthews of 30 Huntington Street. He is a graduate of Technical High School, class of 1934, and is now employed in the accounting department of Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford, Conn. Mr. Matthews is a member of the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity.

**Stuart Reynolds** is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reynolds of 58 California avenue. He is a graduate of the





ROBERT L. MATTHEWS



LOUIS SEARLEMAN



STUART REYNOLDS



HAROLD C. SIGDA

High School of Commerce, class of 1931, and of Bay Path Institute, school of accounting and finance, in 1933. He is now manager of the Indian Acceptance division of the Indian Motorcycle company. Mr. Reynolds has been on the dean's list at Northeastern for five years,

and is a member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity.

Louis Searleman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Searleman of 119 Patton street. He was graduated from the High School of Commerce in 1932. Mr. Searleman is now an assistant engineering aid

in the production engineering department of the Springfield Armory. He is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity.

**Harold Chester Sigda** is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sigda of 196 Franklin street, Holyoke. He is a graduate of the Holyoke High School, class of 1931, and of Amherst College where he received the degree of bachelor of arts in 1935. Mr. Sigda is a member of the Theta Chi national fraternity and a member of the Pre-Law club. He is employed in the grocery business at Holyoke.

### Professor Mitchell Commencement Speaker

Wilmot B. Mitchell, professor emeritus of English at Bowdoin College, Maine, will deliver the address at the 1941 commencement of Springfield Northeastern, it has been announced by Director John D. Churhill.

The exercises will be held in the First Church in Court Square on June 4.

## Calling . . .

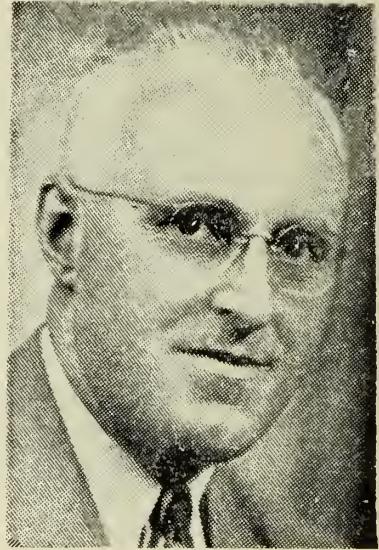
Calling all members of the Gift Committee. How about giving everyone a gift in the form of an electric-eye to open the downstairs door. In fact, a gift of two, one for the outer, one for the inner, would be just right. 'Twould save many a late pass, too.

Calling card for Listen, My Chillun. We missed you at the last lecture. After complaining all year about the after-class activities, the least you could have done was to attend the recent after-class activity. Willum, you surprise us!

Calling all savers, confirmed or otherwise. Papers, clips, class notes, scheduled tests, final examinations, and sundry miscellany now on hand, in the attic and the cellar, representing an accumulation of effort, the tangible sign of Northeastern labors, soon to be disposed of—see these curios and be surprised.

## Meet Mr. Buker

A true New Englander, a congenial friend, and a sympathetic counselor, Mr. Errol L. Buker, B. S., of Skowhegan, Maine, recently assumed the duties of registrar for Springfield Northeastern. The position formerly held by Ralph K. Whitney has been temporarily handled by Acting Registrar Mr. Hamilton Torrey, B. S., coordinator of Engineer Defense Training for Northeastern University.



ERROL L. BUKER, B.S.

Mr. Buker's teaching experience includes instructing at the Wardlaw Day School, Plainfield, New Jersey; Warwick High School, Warwick, Rhode Island; Morse High School, Bath, Maine; and Hall High School, West Hartford, Connecticut. His actual business experience came within the automobile industry. Following the attainment of a B. S. degree from Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, in 1928, Mr. Buker was employed in mechanical adjustments and car testing at the Cadillac Motor Car Company, in Detroit, Michigan. He was also connected with the Ford Motor Car Com-



pany, and administered a personal automobile business.

Mr. Buker obtained his secondary education at Skowhegan High School. At Bowdoin, he majored in psychology and physics. With an everlasting ambition and a desire to learn, Mr. Buker has pursued graduate work in mathematics and education at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. He is a member of Chi Psi Fraternity, in the Bowdoin Chapter.

Mr. Buker enjoys all sports and appreciates a good cribbage game. Technical, scientific, and non-fictional literature represents Mr. Buker's choice of reading material. His spare time is spent with his hobby, in automobiles in his own garage. He is also quite proud of "King", his Collie mascot, who awakens him better than any alarm clock.

## Student Aid Fund

The Student Aid Fund is the outgrowth of a desire of the Director for a fund from which worthy students may receive assistance for short periods of time. This has grown from humble beginnings to slightly over fourteen hundred dollars at the present time. Current loans make its total over seventeen hundred dollars.

Early in 1933, certain alumni in cooperation with undergraduate members of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity instituted a tag drive lasting one week each year. These contributions were not only the beginning of the fund but similar affairs have added to it annually. Gifts and estate income, together with tag drive income, have been the source of nearly half of the present total. Slightly more than half has been received from the balance of the student activities fees after annual student activity expenditures have been made. The first income from this source was received at the conclusion of the academic year 1935-36, the year the university required this fee in Springfield and elsewhere from all students so that student affairs might be

financed properly and promoted for the benefit of all.

The first loan was made in 1934. Sixty-eight students have been assisted by exactly one hundred loans. Had it not been for this assistance for short periods, there is no question but that some of these men and women would have been forced to interrupt their studies for a while. Only two students have not as yet repaid their notes to the fund. The Bursar is certain both notes will be paid in full and with the interest as soon as the students are able to do so.

## Council Dinner

Patriots' Day, April 19, found some 400 young people at the Hotel Kimball enjoying a very delightful time at the Student Council sponsored Annual Dinner Dance. Elizabeth A. Easson and Edward Hachadourian were the recipients of the coveted gold "N" given yearly by the Council for outstanding service to Northeastern.

The presentation was made by Eugene Jenness, President of the Student Council, who also addressed the group briefly, introducing the members of the Council to the assembly. Captain Spurr, formerly an instructor at Springfield Northeastern, spoke and in the course of his remarks said that he "found the boys of M. I. T. measured up quite well with the boys of Northeastern." Dean Whitney and Dean Schofield of Boston Northeastern both spoke briefly. John D. Churchill, Director of the Springfield Division, stated that the past was the hardest year he had ever known, but that he anticipated a harder one next year. He also said that it had been a fine year despite its severity.

Mr. Hamilton Torrey, Acting Registrar, who has been succeeded by Mr. Errol Buker, "brought down the house" with stories which were totally unexpected coming from him.

Dancing followed with Johnny Newton's orchestra furnishing the music.

## Introducing Judge Spooner

Springfield Division, Northeastern University, is fortunate in having as a member of its faculty Ralph S. Spooner, Special Justice of the District Court of Springfield. Judge Spooner teaches the Evidence and Massachusetts Practice courses. He was appointed judge in 1925 by the Governor and will retain this position for life "or good behavior."

Judge Spooner is Chairman of Selective Service Local Board No. 144 (Springfield, Ward 6 and Longmeadow). This is a gratuitous job in the service of the country and while it takes a great deal of time and effort, Mr. Spooner and his constituents consider it extremely important work. In commenting upon the work Judge Spooner said, "To me it has been interesting and has made my conscience clearer in that I am trying to do **something** in the present situation."

Born at St. Johnsbury, Vermont, November 27, 1893, Ralph S. Spooner received his educational foundation in the St. Johnsbury elementary schools.

He later went to St. Johnsbury Academy. He received his A. B. in 1916 from Harvard College and in 1918 received his LL.B. from Harvard Law School. Due to the physical impairment of poor eyesight Mr. Spooner was unable to engage in any active World War service. In 1919 he married Madeline E. Sturgis in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He has one son, Robert, who is 11½ years of age and attends Suffield Junior School at Suffield, Connecticut.

The grace and beauty of expression in Judge Spooner's hands has aroused many comments among his students. Questioned as to the beauty of his hands, he said that if his hands were in any way unusual, he would attribute it, at least in part, to the fact that as a youngster he practiced the violin for many hours each day over a considerable period of time. Quite modestly he admitted that he made a fairly decent living as a violinist when he was still quite young.

Due to his heavy schedule of duties, Judge Spooner has little, if any, time to devote to a hobby. He does feel, however, that the study of, or rather the observation of, the products and literature of painting is still his hobby. When he could devote time to it he has done considerable landscape sketching. Mr. Spooner has not had a great deal of formal study of painting, but did attend some still life and life classes at the old Berkshire Art School, now extinct. He has since that time done some painting with Ray Ewing and some of his friends. Mr. Ewing was the former proprietor of the school. When queried as to whether or not he exhibited his work, Mr. Spooner said that he did not, as a rule, like to exhibit because he did not feel that his work was ever worthy of exhibition. He also observed that listening to music might be considered a hobby, but that he believed it was more than that to him—that it is an absolute necessity.

Being a busy man, Judge Spooner has not a great deal of time to devote to reading of his choice. He finds that as the years have slipped by, he has read less and less fiction. Like most of us, he reads "Life", "Time" and the "Saturday Evening Post". When he has found time to get beyond this modern timely reading, he has delved into the field of nineteenth century French painting, purely as a means of escaping from the present. He has done considerable reading on Gauguin, who fascinated him fully as much as a man as he did as a painter. He says that to the best of his knowledge he does not have any favorite author, for very long at a time, at any rate.

Orchestral music, rather than solo performances, has always been of the utmost interest to Mr. Spooner. He claims that symphonic music and a few of the really great ballet suites are the

things that cause him to miss appointments, sit up nights and sometimes travel long distances. He is particularly fond of Brahms' second symphony and the fourth and sixth symphonies of Tchaikovsky.

At present Judge Spooner is Vice-President of Hampden Council Boy Scouts of America. He fully realizes the importance of this work and wishes ardently that he could devote more time to it than he is able to at the present time.

## Sorority Party

ΣNY girls were very much pleased to learn that their president, Louise Kennedy, had engaged Miss Helen Miller, hair stylist from the Masha Miller Beauty Salon, 1200 Main Street, to entertain them in the Oppenheimer Room of the local "Y" on Friday evening, March 28.

The girls were more than entertained! As a preliminary Miss Miller stressed the importance of the care of the hair, and told of the simple methods necessary to bring out the highlights in one's hair—whether blond, brunette, or red head. Several of the members "gave themselves up" to Miss Miller for individual styling. Hair styles do not keep up "with the Joneses" but accent the beauties and qualities of the individual. It is indeed marvelous what a comb and a little imagination (or shall WE say ABILITY) will do! "Keep the ears showing," says Miss Miller, "Gentlemen like them!" Even though a member of the fair sex is no longer considered the chattel that she was in the Middle Ages, and although many are now endeavoring to equalize all women's rights with those of men, the fair damsel continues to try to please her "hero" or "heroes."

Mary Scahill and Ann Grennan certainly had a difficult time to divert the attention of the audience from the fascinating work of Miss Miller, in order to serve refreshments.

## Sigma Dance

Spring is Here!

So was the annual ΕΦΣ spring sports dance, which was held Saturday, May 17.

The site selected for this springtime frolic was the Holyoke Canoe Club. All who were there last year have very pleasant memories of that occasion. You remember the Smorgasbord "that wasn't there?" If it was there it certainly disappeared in record time. Jerry Teehan didn't know that there were any Houdini's in the fraternity.

All newly initiated members, alumni, and friends of fraternity members were cordially invited to join in an evening of riotous pleasure and good fellowship.

Ken Ross was chairman of the entertainment committee, ably aided and abetted by his brothers in the fraternity.

## A Radical

By Ted Drewniak '42

Picture a typical voting place in a modern American city. The voting machine occupies the feature spot of the room. The voting officers of the day are standing dutifully in their respective places. Suddenly, with a reverberating shudder, in burst the dual swinging doors like the exploding peel of a baking potato. In dashes a hasty, dark featured individual, lacking convention from head to foot, dressed only in shirt, shoes and trousers, sleeves rolled up, no tie, no hat, tousled black hair waving mutinously upright, black barbary beard unshaven, unkempt, arms arcing frantically . . . . .

"Which lever," he gasps, "do I pull to overthrow everything?"

According to Bill Sleith and Joe Bickley, Boston is famous for three things besides beans: Electric shavers, tiger lilies, and cachatchas.

## Listen, My Chillun'

We who are about to die should be watching with keen interest the landmarks along the road. It is an old road, an old journey, and yet each new generation finds it mysteriously, befuddingly new. Watch, you sons of war dead, watch with all the sight a God of peace has given you, watch the quiet sequence of a foolproof formula, listen with your ear to the sky of man's folly and hear the folly of the skies. Listen to the quiet falsity of aid short of war, listen to the impetuous rolling of patriotic drums, listen to the voices of men, high pitched with fallacy, as they squeal, "We need not fight". Watch, you who still have eyes, watch for the jubilant waving of your flag, watch the fire of race hatred replace the light of reason in your brother's eyes, listen with your ear to the pregnant earth and hear the gathering rumble of war-shod feet. Listen with your hearts, you whose hearts have not yet been shattered, listen to the slow parade, the gentle march, the gradual giving up of long-held ideals, listen for the swan song of peace.

Watch, you sons of loving mothers, you, whose sons are still beneath the zenith, watch the stupidity of men, watch the utter blindness with which we walk, watch the hysteria that creeps into a people, watch for the bones that are held back until it is certain we are hungry enough to devour them; aid short of war, convoy, incident, insult—indignation — patriotism — hatred — hatred — hatred — madness — madness — madness — madness.

You need not watch any longer, my brother, for by this time you too are blind. Every fiber of you aches for the revenge they have said should be yours. You cannot wait to get your fangs in the bowels of those whom you have been taught to hate.

And now it is upon you—a whirling, crashing maelstrom of hate; a rushing,

engulfing deluge of killing. Tanks, guns, boots, flags, drums, women on corners, planes, the mounting momentum of lust, guns, the banging, crashing, hell of noises, the rumble of tanks, the roar of planes, the sharp staccato of death in the guns, the pleading cry of a dying man. It descends about you like the fury of a storm, guns, tanks, planes, crashing, rocking, till the heavens split, and you're gone—swept on and on and on into the teeth of a hell-driven beast, buffeted, tossed, hurled, guns, tanks, planes, until the soul in you is dead, kill . . . kill . . . kill. War is right, war is right, kill, kill, now, now, planes, guns . . . Life? What of life? Life is nothing . . . kill, kill, now . . . To die? What is that, to die? To die is nothing . . . kill, kill, now . . . no, now . . . like this now, guns, the crashing, kill and revenge, the incident, the honor of your country, kill, kill . . . To kill is right . . . so kill, guns, the roar, kill . . . goodbye, my friend, you have been betrayed.

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A little of the democratic process crept into the staid old come-and-go of us who read by night. Recently the student council conducted the annual election of five of its members from the student body, by the student body, and all opinion to the contrary, for the student body.

A word of enlightenment to those of you who are completing your first year at Northeastern. The council is composed of approximately twenty members, fifteen being nominated by the faculty and five elected by popular vote of the student body.

The purpose of the council is to provide the school with at least a minimum amount of extra-curricular activity, to provide the student body with a voice in the management of school affairs, and to



assume the responsibility of spending to the best advantage possible, for the benefit of every student possible, the student-activities fee which amounts roughly to twelve hundred dollars a year.

These, in brief, are the responsibilities of every council member, these are the scales by which you should weigh the the services of those whom you have just elected, these are the results that you have a right to expect from any and every council.

Whether or not the next council gives you the full measure of value received depends at least partly on you. You are the people. Whether or not the passing council did all it should have done is water over the dam. Eulogies must be pretty.

To those council members who tried this past year to give us their best we of Northeastern are grateful.

## Kappa News

### Initiation Dinner Meeting:

Under the beaming surveyance of President MacLennan, six students of Northeastern University were inducted into PiTK Fraternity at the third of such meetings for the current year. Saturday, March 22, was the date and West Springfield Community Y. M. C. A. was the scene of action.

A "warm" reception given the six new brothers started when the tasty (but not to the candidates) roast turkey dinner was served.

Later, much later in the evening, after their torturer Ralph Warner and his assistants, Harley Goodrich and Norm Ferguson, called finis to their proud art, the lame but still smiling newest members of PiTK, were seen to mingle with the Saturday dancers, cavorting in the Community "Y" gym.

Could they take it? But definitely!

Those initiated are:

**Paul R. Brisette '45**—Management. Paul is employed at the Worthington

Pump and Machinery Corporation, Holyoke, as a purchasing clerk. He was graduated from Holyoke High in 1934.

**Harold A. Gibbons '45**—Harold is registered in the Engineering and Business School, is employed by Westinghouse Sales and Service as a technician, and was graduated from Westfield High in '35.

**Charles E. Frost '45**—is in the Engineering and Business School, works for the United Electric Light Co., as a clerk and had a year at Monson Academy after graduating from Classical High in '38.

**Allan R. Lowry '44**—is taking a course in Accounting, works for the Chemical Paper Manufacturing Co., Holyoke, as a production clerk. Allan attended Business College for a year after graduation from Holyoke High in 1937.

**Norman W. Lyon, Jr. '45**—Engineering and Business, works for Package Machinery Co., Springfield, as a machinist, and was graduated from Technical High in 1939.

**Alphonse H. Wilhelm '43**—Accounting, is employed by National Blank Book Co., Holyoke, as a cost estimator and cost accountant, and was graduated from Holyoke High in '34

The fraternity was honored in having as its guests genial Mr. F. W. Hutchinson, Northeastern's counsellor in the School of Business and instructor of calculus, and Mr. McDermott, an agent of the U. S. Secret Service, operating in the Treasury Department.

Mr. Hutchinson in speaking to the dinner group, congratulated the new candidates upon their joining the fraternity and praised all Northeastern students for their ambition in seeking a University education by means of the strenuous evening school method. "You get out of an organization only that which you put in it," was his good advice to the brothers.

Mr. McDermott's fine informative lecture about counterfeit money and the successful methods used by the U. S. Secret Service in suppressing this type of lawlessness was supported by the U. S. Treasury Department film, "Know Your

Money.”

Preceding the dinner and initiation, an afternoon of swimming and bowling at the “Y” was also enjoyed by many of the attending members.

Delta Journeys to Boston:

As guests of Alpha Chapter 26, Delta-ites of ΠTK fraternity journeyed to Boston on February 15, to attend the Governor’s Visitation and to listen to “Blackie”.

With a tasty “Wilbur’s” chicken pie dinner and all the fixin’s securely tucked away, the large group settled back in their chairs to enjoy the Alton Hall Blackinton lecture “West Indies”, and his latest color film, “Way Down East”.

“Blackie’s” popularity with Pi Tau Kappa increases with each of his appearances. He will again entertain the fraternity on May 3 when Boston’s Alpha Chapter becomes host once more at the annual competition, ΠTK’s biggest event of the year. Chapters from Boston, Worcester, Providence and Spingfield will attend and compete in intra-fraternal activities to determine the top chapter for the year. A fitting climax to the affair will be a dinner and Grand Ball in the swanky ballroom of Boston’s Kenmore Hotel.

Candle Pin Capers:

For twenty weeks there has been a large gathering of members at the Paradise Alleys every Thursday night from 9:15 to closing time, for the Delta bowling competition.

Dick Johnson has compiled an average of 98, for high honors and leads Franklyn Ferguson who is in second place with a good 93 average for fifty strings. Paul Thelig’s 92 gives him a close third.

The averages are:

Dick Johnson	98
Frank Ferguson	93
Paul Thelig	92
Ed. A. Hachadourian	90
Robert Flint	87
William Willard	84
Harold Gibbons	83
Robert Jahn	83
Harley Goodrich	80
Norman Ferguson	80
Ernest Carlson	80

Fred Bardwell	76
Larry Brundrett	72
High Three Strings:	
Dick Johnson	324
High Single:	
Paul Thelig	128

Here’s one for Ripley: Harley Goodrich had a 272 one night!

The winners will be presented prizes for their effort, at a banquet to be held on Saturday, May 24. All members are urged to save this date.

The Good Life

By Bertha Whitney ’42

We have read of people who have lived the good life, and we know people close to us who have lived the good life and others who are living it. Their names may not be written in history books, but they have profited and others have profited because they have lived—not profited in money probably but rather in good thoughts and deeds.

One who lives the good life does what he truly believes is right and best, for himself and for his world. In order to do this he needs some standards to guide his thoughts and actions. We have read of good people in the Bible: Moses, Jesus, the good Samaritan, the disciples; and in history: Abraham Lincoln, Jane Addams, Andrew Carnegie, Thomas Edison. These people have done their best to make the world a better place for all of us by devoting their lives to their people.

Few of us can achieve the glories of Lincoln or Edison. Our worlds are small and limited, as are our abilities. We can, however, devote ourselves to our work and hobbies, our friends and neighbors, our home and community life, forgetting our selfish desires and pleasures, taking pleasure in doing what we can for others to make their lives easier and happier, having fun with our friends in our community life and with our folks in our homes. Fame and acclaim may not be showered upon us, but our friends and acquaintances will value us. We, in our worlds, can live the good life and reap its benefits.

## How Many Have You Read?

Mr. Hamilton Torrey, Mr. Cyrus Jones, Mr. Paul Wilks, and Mr. C. I. Chatto, English instructors at Springfield Northeastern, have got their heads together and compiled a list of ten books, ten short pieces of literature, and ten poems which in their opinion should be part of the mental equipment of every educated person.

Here are the thirty "must" selections:

**Books:** Moby Dick, Melville; The Scarlet Letter, Hawthorne; Pilgrim's Progress, Bunyan; Tale of Two Cities, Dickens; Gulliver's Travels, Swift; Three Musketeers, Dumas; Uncle Tom's Cabin, Stowe; The Prince and the Pauper, Mark Twain; King Lear, Shakespeare; and Alice in Wonderland, Carroll.

**Short Stories or Articles:** A Christmas Carol, Dickens; The Outcasts of Poker Flat, Harte; Gettysburg Address, Lincoln; Farewell Address, Washington; Youth, Conrad; Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Stevenson; Rip Van Winkle, Irving; The Man Without a Country, Hale; Monsieur Beaucaire, Tarkington, and The Pit and the Pendulum, Poe.

**Poems:** The Rubiyat of Omar Khayyam, Fitzgerald; Horatius, Macaulay; Salt Water Ballads, Masefield; The Man with the Hoe, Markham; The Prisoner of Chillon, Byron; Elegy in a Country Churchyard, Gray; The Chambered Nautilus, Holmes; Barbara Frietchie, Whittier; The Vision of Sir Launfal, Lowell; and King Robert of Sicily, Longfellow.

In addition to the thirty "must" titles, the instructors append a supplementary list all of which they considered in making their choice. Among the additional books suggested are: The Arabian Nights, The Adventures of Baron Munchausen, The Last Days of Pompeii, Bulwer-Lytton; Looking Backward, Bellamy; Life of Abraham Lincoln, Sandburg; Les Miserables, Hugo; Ben Hur, Wallace; Don Quixote, Cervantes; Black Beauty, Saunders; Little Women, Alcott;

Peter Pan, Barrie; Tom Brown's School Days, Arnold; Uncle Remus, Harris; and Puck of Puck's Hill, Kipling.

Additional short selections include: Self Reliance, Emerson; Legend of Sleepy Hollow, Irving; The Four Million, O. Henry; A Message to Garcia, Hubbard, and The Lady or the Tiger, Stockton.

Supplementary poems are: The Raven, Poe; The Rime of the Ancient Mariner, Coleridge; and The Deacon's Masterpiece, Holmes.

The list is not intended to be final or all-inclusive, but it is worthy of the attention of every student who wishes to grasp something of that illusive quality called culture.

How many have YOU read?

## Law Lecture

All law students were dismissed from classes early on April 14, in order that they might hear Edmund Burke, of the law firm of Hale & Door, Boston, Massachusetts, speak about the work of the American Bar Association. Dean Horace Rice of the Law School introduced Mr. Burke.

Mr. Burke stated that the one fundamental principle of the American Bar is that the law is an honorable profession, made up of honorable men attempting to serve the community—and doing it. "Most lawyers", he said, "are ethical men serving their clients and the public." He enumerated some of the principles of the American Bar Association as follows:

1. To cherish the sanctified relation between attorney and clients. The client who comes to a lawyer puts his full trust in him. He places himself in the attorney's hands. It is up to the attorney to deal with him fairly and honestly.
2. Relationship of the Bar to the Public:

The American Bar Association endeavors to make sure that lawyers, as a group, maintain their standards. The bench and bar are held in respect.

3. Cooperation among lawyers themselves:

It is very damaging to feel you cannot trust the man beside you. Trust among lawyers themselves is essential to the proper conduct of law in any community.

The Bar Association affords a help for the difficult transition period between studying law and putting into practice what has been learned.

"Graduation is not an end, but a return to a beginning." The application of case book law to problems in practice is the problem which besets every young lawyer. Every young lawyer, on the day he becomes admitted, should join the Bar Association, meet with the members, talk with them and counsel with them. Every lawyer of experience is ready and willing to discuss a young attorney's legal problems with him around the Bar Association table.

The Boston Bar Association used to have luncheon meetings at the Parker House. The necessity for increased space resulted in their getting their own building and over one hundred lawyers attend their luncheons now. Members of the bar are conscious of the difficulty the younger men have in starting to practice and these older men are more than willing to render assistance to their younger brothers.

Mr. Burke spoke also of the Junior Bar Conference, which is attached to the Bar Association. It is open to persons up to 35 years of age. It forms special committees and performs special work. Two thousand persons served on committees for the American Bar Association last year.

The Bar Association offers:

1. Help to younger lawyers
2. Help to the public by presenting to them a reasonably good service they can call upon.

At the conclusion of his remarks, a general open forum was conducted. Mr. Burke graciously answered all questions propounded to him.

## Hachadourian Heads Council

Edward Hachadourian was elected president of the Student Council for 1941-42, at a meeting Wednesday, May 14. Other officers chosen are Laurence Brundrett, vice president, and Katherine Porter, secretary.

The members of the new Council, selected in part by the faculty and in part by vote of the students, are as follows:

Class of 1942: Francis M. Collins, Gerald T. Teehan, Edward Hachadourian, and Richard E. Johnson.

Class of 1943: Paul E. Allain, Lau-

rence Brundrett, Robert Ewig, Eugene Jenness, James J. Lovett, William Sleith, and Ernest H. Wilkins, Jr.

Class of 1944: Robert A. Adolphson, Benjamin P. Astley, and Robert W. Frennier.

Class of 1945: Paul A. Theilig, Norman H. Ferguson, and Alfred A. LaRiviere.

Class of 1946: Louis F. Conti, Alcide J. Guilbert, Walter Luczek, and Katherine F. Porter.



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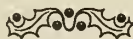
## Christmas

CHRISTMAS time, apart from the sanctity of the occasion it commemorizes, is a time of great rejoicing and merry-making. The commercial character of Christmas, which has steadily increased in the last decade, has had a tendency to force into the background the real significance of the day—the fact that a Saviour was born!

As Scrooge did in "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, it might do everyone of us good to have the "Ghost of Christmas Past", the "Ghost of Christmas Present" and the "Ghost of Christmas Yet To Come" pass in review before us. That parade of ghosts, short as it might be, should bring out in us greater understanding and fellowship. Would that these same ghosts could appear to the propelling forces of the aggressor nations of the world today! If they could but work the same result on the leaders of the inflamed peoples as they did on Scrooge, what present reason there would be for rejoicing! Like Scrooge, these men, who think only of their own personal gains, regardless of the cost to persons with whom they come in contact, might reform and make reparation for their sins.

As Americans, proud of our heritage, we have reason to rejoice—that we have wronged no helpless peoples, that we have committed no aggression, that we can face the future—however dark—with steadfast resolution. So, in the words of Tiny Tim—

**"God Bless Us, Everyone!"**



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## Frosh Initiated At Reception

The evening of October 25 will undoubtedly remain long in the memory of Northeastern's current crop of first-year men, for on that night they were originally and enthusiastically (just ask 'em) initiated into that serious throng of Sundodgers, the students of Northeastern.

The pleasant Longmeadow Community House, with its harvest decorations, once again proved to be a fitting locale for the joyous occasion. Gay banners, streamers, corn stalks, and pumpkins all contributed to the atmosphere of harvest time and the beginning of a new school year.

About two hundred Freshmen, upper-classmen, and guests danced to the music of Jimmy Mack.

The highlight of the affair was the initiation of the freshmen, under the direction of William Sleith. These young men were assembled in the hallway, where the committee in charge showed them how "Esquire" demands fashionable men to be dressed at their best. As each freshman in turn was ushered into the hall, his name was announced for all to hear. The guests were in an uproar as each one marched in with his trousers rolled up to his knees, his coat off, his shirt pulled out, his necktie hanging in the back, and his hair all messed up. What a display of shapely legs! After the freshmen had been thus introduced, they were claimed by their young ladies. This stunt was followed by a Virginia Reel, in which all took part.

Certain freshmen thought they'd give Prexy Eddie Hachadourian a dose of his own medicine when they spied him alone

in the hall. They seized him, removed his coat, shoes, and tie, rolled up his trousers and carried him to the front of the orchestra, where they presented him to the audience. All in all, it was a grand stunt, and everyone enjoyed himself—especially Eddie.

Patrons and patronesses for the affair included Director John D. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Torrey, and Mr. and Mrs. Errol L. Buker.

Mr. Ernest H. Wilkins, chairman of the committee in charge, opened the speaking part of the program by introducing Edward Hachadourian, president of the Student Council, who welcomed the freshmen, discussed Council activities, and promised other pleasant social events in the future.

Mr. Torrey was then introduced and greeted everyone. Mr. Buker extended a welcome, and gave a bit of advice to the newcomers. Mr. Churchill, in urging the students to get as much out of their studies as possible, spoke of the success of several Northeastern graduates, which was accomplished only through years of hard work.

Cider and doughnuts were served for refreshments.

This reception and harvest hop, conducted by the Student Council, marks the opening of the social calendar for the Springfield Huskies.

P. S. Fashion note: Ankle socks seemed to be the favorite of the new freshmen. Very few garters were on view in the parade. My! My.

## Six N.U.'s Pass Bar Exams

Of the thirteen from western Massachusetts who successfully passed the bar August 1, 1941, six were graduates of Northeastern University Law School, Springfield Division. Northeastern can be proud of the number of its graduates who were successful because out of the 501 applicants who took the examination only 162 received passing marks. Sixty-seven per cent of the 501 examined failed the test.

The victorious applicants from the law school of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University are: Miss Frances A. Bryant, Harrison B. Clapp, Sydney M. Cooley, Edward L. Donnellan, Francis A. Murray, and John J. Quill.

Ten women from the State passed the bar examination. Frances A. Bryant is numbered among them. She has lived in Springfield all her life, having graduated from the High School of Commerce and from Northeastern University in 1940. She is the daughter of Mrs. Catherine Bryant, 22 Malden Street. Miss Bryant is employed in the legal department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company and does not plan to enter into private practice. She is a past president of Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority.

Harrison B. Clapp, the son of Mrs. Edith Clapp, of 179 Massachusetts Avenue, has been employed in the law department of the Massachusetts Mutual for the past nine years and does not plan to enter the active practice of law. Mr. Clapp graduated from Classical High School in 1928 and from Amherst College in 1932. At Amherst, he was a member of several fraternities and was a Phi Beta Kappa. He is a member of the National Forensic society, and regional vice president of the National Council of Law Students. He was graduated from Northeastern University Law School in 1941.

Sydney M. Cooley, 24 Sumner Terrace, the son of Mrs. Sadie Cooley, and a brother of attorney Edward B. Cooley, is another graduate of the 1941 class of Northeastern. Mr. Cooley is employed in the

mechanical division of the Ludlow Manufacturing and Sales Company. At present he is taking the Northeastern engineering course. He does not plan to begin the practice of law immediately.

Another 1941 graduate is Edward L. Donnellan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Donnellan of 200 Westford Avenue. He graduated from Classical High School in 1934. Mr. Donnellan does plan to practice law, but is as yet employed by Forbes and Wallace in the Shipping Department.

Francis A. Murray graduated from Cambridge High School in 1924, from Bentley School of Accounting and Finance in 1927, and from Northeastern Law School in 1940. He is employed at the American Bosch Corporation where he specializes in insurance, taxes and auditing. He is a member of West Springfield's special committee for the study of insurance and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is married and has one child. His home is at 146 Poplar Avenue, West Springfield.

John J. Quill, 83 Abbott Street, Springfield graduated in June 1941. Mr. Quill attended Crosby High School in Waterbury, Connecticut, Rollins College in Florida, and was graduated from Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York in 1930. For the past three years Mr. Quill has been credit manager at the Hadley Furniture Company. He is married and has no children.

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### NEW POND ON THE MAP

John A. Pond '42 and Mrs. (Barbara) Pond of Longmeadow are happy in the arrival of Robert Allan Pond, six pounds and one ounce, on November 2, 1941. Mr. Pond, who is assistant business manager at Springfield College, is studying management at N. U.

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### Excerpt from a draftee's letter:

"And so I must quit for this time. You know, early to bed and early to rise —is a pain in the neck to most of us guys."



## Anderstrom, Bickley Win NACA Awards

On the basis of their college records scholarship prizes have been awarded by the Springfield Chapter National Association of Cost Accountants to two members of the class of 1943 at Springfield Northeastern. The two students are Edward A. Anderstrom and Joseph B. Bickley.

The prizes are in the form of year memberships in the N. A. C. A.

The National Association of Cost Accountants is an organization of over nine thousand persons located principally in the United States. Canada, Mexico, and many other countries are represented in the membership. The purpose of the association is the promotion of a better understanding of the problems and practices of industrial accounting.

The activities of the association are twofold in scope. One group of services is carried on from the national headquarters in New York and the other through the medium of local chapters.

Local chapter organizations are maintained in sixty-eight industrial centers in the United States and Hawaii. Each chapter holds nine regular monthly meetings from September through May of each year. The meetings, following a dinner, have a speaker on a technical subject and close with an open discussion of the speaker's topic and remarks. Usually, in addition to the regular meetings, a visit to a local industrial plant, and a special meeting on some subject of current interest in the accounting field are held.

As scholarship winners both young men will receive copies of the association's semi-monthly bulletin containing technical accounting articles on a large variety of industrial subjects and problems submitted by members of the association. The yearbook with its verbatim reports of accounting papers and discussion at the annual conference technical sessions is also sent to each member. An employment service is open to members for positions outside their own chapter

territory and the chapter likewise serves the needs of employers in filling positions with the most competent men.

Mr. Anderstrom is a sergeant in the U. S. Army and is employed in the Springfield Recruiting Service. His home is at 36 Alvin Street.

Mr. Bickley is employed by Low Brothers Company of 1182 Main Street and resides at 138 Washington Street.

This is the first year in which scholarship awards have been made to Northeastern University students. Three local institutions, Bay Path Institute, American International College, and Northeastern University are now included in the local N. A. C. A. scholarship program. Members of the scholarship committee of Springfield Chapter are Robert M. Mudgett of the Strathmore Paper Co., and Douglas Dixon of the C. E. Prentiss Wire Works of Holyoke.

Stephen Warwick '39, publicity director of the Springfield Chapter of the N. A. C. A. informs the Nor'easter that alumni of Northeastern are very well represented in Springfield Chapter National Association of Cost Accountants.

In looking through the roster list he finds the following who are members:—George J. Bernard '22, E. P. Grace '24, Sidney R. Cook '25, Daniel Trombla '26, Arthur B. Davis '29, Harold J. Farrell '36, Alfred P. Franz '38, Irving Barnes '24, Godfrey Porter '24, Henry Burrows '26, George M. Benoit '28, Thomas Moriarty '30, Richard Menzel '37, Stephen Warwick '39.

The faculty members of Northeastern who also belong are:—William W. Johnston, Nelson H. Foley, Edward P. Grace, Paul A. Wilks.

This year's officers of Springfield Chapter include George N. Benoit '28 President; Edward P. Grace '24 Director of Meetings; Sidney R. Cook '25 Director of Attendance; Arthur B. Davis '29 Director of Publications; and Stephen W. Warwick '39 Director of Publicity.



## Kappa Initiates

Saturday evening, November 15, at Hotel Sheraton IITK fraternity held its first initiation of the year 1941-42, with sixty members attending. Three more enthusiastically cooperating candidates than Gilbert E. Barker, '46, Charles Pinnie, '46, and Norman Powell, '46, were never seen to take the hurdles of initiation and the fraternal rites in Delta chapter.

Festivities began during the late afternoon at the Paradise Alleys, where fifteen brothers gathered to try their hand at the art of pin-splitting, and had to be content with watching two super bowlers, Bill Holmes and Ken Fales, walk off with first honors, a free dinner of delicious roast chicken. Bill and Ken tied with a high single of 107.

The next initiation meeting will take place in January, 1942.

After having their fill of a satisfying dinner, fraternity members packed their pipes or lighted their smokes and settled back to hear Springfield's outstanding radio news analyst, Herbert W. Kregeloh, deliver a talk and answer questions on the current European and Asiatic events which now are playing such an important part in shaping the future destinies of the nations of the world. He also told of the failings of the League of Nations.

Judging from the reception accorded to Mr. Kregeloh's informative talk, Deltaites desire to hear him again in the near future, and they shall.

### Bowling

Every Thursday night after school, at the Paradise Alleys, Delta's weekly bowling party holds sessions. Each week about ten members and friends engage in team and individual competition, bowling (if it can be called bowling) for the after-the-match "coffee an'."

Some of the boys are really good, though, and for a period covering four weeks have compiled averages about 90, which isn't bad. Tommy Aalto, with an average of 93.3 for 9 strings, leads the pack, followed by Bob Flint, with 89.6

for 9 strings. High single string honors are held by Harold LeDuc, with 130. He also piled up the high three string total, a neat 321. The averages follow:

Name	No. of Strings	Av.
Harold LeDuc	3	107
George Gunderson	1	104
Paul Thelig	3	99.3
Tommy Aalto	9	93.3
Bob Flint	9	89.6
Frank Ferguson	9	84.6
Bob Jahn	9	80.3
Norm Lyon	6	80.1
Ed Hachadourian	3	80.0
Harley Goodrich	6	76.8

### Christmas Party

IITKers are looking forward to their Christmas party, which, as announced by chairman Ray Lester, will be an event of Saturday, December 20. Trinity Community House, very fittingly, has been selected as the scene for the merry festivities, which will include a tea party, dancing, carol singing, games, and an exchange of gifts with old St. Nick doing his specialty act.

On the committee assisting Ray are Deane Clark, president of Delta chapter, Harley Goodrich, Ernie Swanson, and Joseph Bickley.

## Sorority Travels

Thirteen sorority girls motored to Worcester where we had a delightful get-together with the sorority of Worcester Northeastern, on Saturday, November 15.

They took us to a farm house, about nine miles from the city, where the farmer and his wife had a "bag of fun" for us.

After all the girls had got acquainted with one another and exchanged a bit of chat over sorority activities, the farmer started us off with a square dance and a reel. Well, we skipped and hopped around until we were nearly exhausted, but were full of hilarity.

The farmer was chuck full of original stunts in which all participated. Eileen Griffin was chosen captain of the Springfield team. We certainly exercised our lungs in the battle of music, but Worces-

ter outsang us. They also won almost every game, but we could take it.

The farmer's wife then served us home-made delicacies for refreshments which we certainly needed after that workout. During the refreshment time, Miss Muriel Collie, a past president of the Worcester sorority, spoke about the national conventions of the Iota Tau Lambda Sorority.

About midnight we very reluctantly said our good nights. Every girl that attended this affair really had a very enjoyable time and we all hope to have more of these get-togethers.

Only one cloud appeared on the horizon to mar an otherwise perfect party. It is hoped that the girls of Iota Tau Lambda will remember the pleasant things which happened during the evening and relegate from their memories the breach of good taste committed by Sigma Nu Upsilon members in arriving so late. A program had been carefully arranged, but the long-delayed arrival of the majority of the guests of honor necessitated several changes.

Should Iota Tau Lambda see fit to again invite Sigma Nu Upsilon to attend a party with them, the members of the Springfield sorority should make it a point to arrive even prior to the scheduled hour in order to compensate in some degree for their tactless and discourteous tardiness on this occasion.

#### Gets Fashion Tips

The ΣΝΥ girls were very pleased in having Mrs. Olga Willis, a WSPR Fashion Commentator, as guest speaker at their meeting November 25 at the Oppenheimer Room of the YMCA.

The girls feel that they received some very helpful suggestions in choosing the right clothes and also in taking proper care of the complexion.

As to wearing jewelry, Mrs. Willis advised that when in doubt, leave it out; and you will never go wrong. The predominating colors in this winter's fashions are navy, black, white, and grey. The length of dresses will remain the same.

According to Mrs. Willis, girls, your

best friend is your mirror. It isn't what you put on your back that counts, it's how it looks. Just stand in front of your mirror and let your conscience be your guide.

#### Hears Policewoman

On November 4 ΣΝΥ sorority met in the Oppenheimer Room of the Y. M. C. A. Miss Louise Kennedy, President of the Sorority, introduced Miss Grace Kaley of the Springfield Police Department who spoke of the work her department does and told of a few cases.

Their work is not publicized. Miss Kaley said that their work is done for the interest of the child and for the interest of the community. Most of their cases have to do with neglected children or stubborn children. For the most part, the misbehavior of these children is due to the lack of proper parental care. Miss Kaley states that their department has a close contact with courts and schools. Once the underlying cause for the misbehavior is determined, much can be done to prevent crime and save the child from getting drawn into undesirable company.

## Sigma Dances

Approximately thirty-five couples attended the Hallowe'en Hop given by the ΕΦΣ fraternity at the French Palace on November 1, in spite of the inclement weather. What a night!—for ducks!

Music for the dance was provided by a record player owned by Nick Latino. Nick's brother, a prize-winning jitterbugger, led the Conga line.

Refreshments consisted of doughnuts, potato chips, pretzels, and abundant sweet cider and beer to go with them. George Leger, versatile fellow that he is, acted as combination host and bar-tender. Other members of the committee in charge included Jack Hanley, Larry O'Brien, and Jimmie Kelly.

#### And Again—

Some celebrities are honored by monuments, some by national holidays, some

by a tomb on Riverside Drive, but it remained to the members of ΕΦΣ to honor another great American—Sadie Hawkins—with a dance on November 8.

The affair was a get-acquainted dance for the candidates to be initiated into the fraternity. Among those present were James O. Shea, Edward Quigley, John Quigley, Thomas Courtney, Edward Lynch, Benjamin Astley, Alfred Kuhn, Joseph Latino, William James, Robert Gordon, Alfred Viereick, Robert Sullivan, Harry Kantianis, George Lacaske, Edmond McNamara, Alphe Duby, William Harrington, Leonard DeForge, and Robert Ferriter.

Bob Fenn was chairman of the committee in charge. He was assisted by George Leger and Bill Bourque.

## Meet Ng

Confucius say .....

But he couldn't have been talking about Ng Pakying because Ng is decidedly not that kind of a Chinese gentleman.

In the first place, Ng is a Cantonese, and Cantonese don't go in for Confucius. In the second place, Ng is an accountant, and I have yet to meet an accountant who could appreciate a good Confucius story. This doesn't include Ng, who is a particular kind of an accountant with a sense of humor, one fifteen-year-old daughter, and a son whom he hasn't seen since he was less than a year old—the child, not Ng. Plus one perfectly good wife who is keeping the home fires burning in China because of the quota, etc., etc.

Why Springfield of all places? Well, Canton—and Canton's here (This is a plug—no extra charge for the advertisement. Chop Suey. Chow Mein. To say nothing of Bird's Nest Pudding—which Ng says isn't all it's cracked up to be. End of Plug).

Seriously and in chronological order, this is Ng's story.

Born: ? for date, but yes. In Chong  
Ping (the Colony Hills of  
Canton.)

Educated: Yes. Village grammar school; Queen's College, Hong Kong; High School of Commerce, Springfield (three years as an antidote for one month of Classical High School—Classical Recorder, please copy).

Back to China

Back to the United States

Back to China

Back to the United States—then a dark maze of innumerable evening classes until someone suggested the ineffable name of Northeastern. For two happy years (if you can be happy studying accounting) he has been here.

I think one of the most interesting things Ng told me was about the possibilities for a young man in China from the equivalent of our "middle class" to progress economically. To begin with, the only occupation in which he will have any opportunity to earn a living rather than an existence is in "business." To get into business, he must be related to the owner—or a close friend of the owner. He starts as an "office boy". Advancement depends not on brains or other ability but upon the closeness of the blood or friendly relationship.

The ambitious young man, therefore, goes to a foreign country. America is very much favored because of the opportunities to earn—and the high rate of exchange between Chinese and American money.

The first time Ng returned to China, he worked in the Bank of Canton, a Chinese Merchant Bank, but after a little more than a year he returned to America where there was more opportunity. The second time he got homesick, he found conditions such that he stayed less than a year.

Asked where he would prefer to spend his life, Ng was noncommittal. His heart is at home in China. But his opportunities are here, and here he expects to stay until the present war situation has been settled.

We're glad to know you, Ng, and we'd like to know you even better.



## Listen, My Chillun

There is, as there should be, a certain amount of youthful spirit of change recognizable in the student body. Some have their goals, fanciful idealisms, the attainment of which would create so many currents and cross currents that persons, jobs, and even the school itself might suffer.

There are other things however, that students want, which are more feasible, not so impracticable that their realization must remain forever a thing once dreamed.

Springfield Northeastern's Law School has received the last rites and has been left to die. There is probably nothing that anyone can do about that. In spite of this lopping off of a once considerable portion of the school's anatomy, the enrollment figures are higher this year than at any time in the school's history.

The increase is in the Engineering and Business curriculum.

These are things that every student knows. Following are a few things that some students think; if they be treason, make the least of it.

In general, the increase in the Engineering and Business curriculum has not made it necessary to add instructors; the existing classes have been able to absorb the increase. Is it then too bold of the Engineers to ask that the efforts expended on the Law school be diverted into the Engineering school as the Law School progressively expires.

The law library, as well as a number of instructors, will leave the school in the next few years. If these efforts were turned toward the Engineering Business course, they would give the course what it sorely needs to put it on a par with the best in engineering schools.

A mechanical laboratory with good equipment would increase the value of subjects like Mechanics, Strength of Materials, Heat, and Design a hundredfold. Subjects like Air Conditioning, Me-

chanics, Diesel Engineering, and Aeronautics are fast becoming absolute necessities in the Engineering field; Northeastern should have them.

I justify my setting down of these thoughts that are not merely my own on the premise: that which moves not forward moves backward; there is no standing still.

Let not Northeastern be a laggard.

## Profs Dine

Forty members of the Board of Governors and the faculty of Northeastern gathered at the Hotel Sheraton on Thursday, November 13, at the annual dinner for the purpose of renewing good-fellowship and greeting newcomers to the group. The beginning of classes for the evening was postponed until 7:30, to allow the instructors to enjoy the dinner and the speeches which followed.

Mr. Robert Emerson, chairman of the Board of Governors, presided. He introduced Associate Dean Horace J. Rice, of the School of Law; Mr. Fred W. Hutchinson, counselor of the School of Engineering and Business; Mr. George E. Williamson, president of the Young Men's Christian Association; Mr. Charles E. Lee, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association; and Mr. John D. Churchill, director of Springfield Northeastern, all of whom discussed the progress of the university, and illuminated their remarks with a wealth of witty anecdotes.

### PROGRESS

**First night:**—Lost and wide-eyed—looking for mother's apron strings.

**Third week:**—Finding way around alone—unless the room is changed.

**Third month:**—Much impressed with own importance and expecting it to be recognized.

**Third year:**—Realize maybe there is something yet to learn—quite human.

**Last night:**—Admit have just reached the "commencement."



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"There are two things to aim at in life: first, to get what you want, and, after that, to enjoy it. Only the wisest of mankind achieve the second."

—Logan Pearsall Smith

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## Freshman Reception October 25

Freshmen students are anxiously awaiting the combined gala reception and Harvest Hop in their interest, planned by the Student Council. The frolic is scheduled to be held October 25, at the Longmeadow Community House.

Serving as Chairman, Ernest H. Wilkins will be assisted by his fellow Council members, Norman Ferguson, Paul Theilig, Robert C. Ewig, Paul Allain, William Sleith, Edward A. Hachadorian, and Alcide J. Guilbert. Faculty guests will include Director John D. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Torrey, and Mr. and Mrs. Errol L. Buker.

The Freshman Reception and Harvest Hop marks the opening of the social calendar for the Springfield Huskies. A Christmas Dance and a semi-formal

Spring Dinner Dance are on the social events program of the Student Council.

A red and black tag prepared for the occasion will be distributed to all Freshmen for the reception. The tags will show the initials of the University, its mascot, "The Huskie", and the identifying words, "'41-'42, FRESHMAN".

Everyone will have the opportunity to trip the light fantastic to the strains of Jimmy Mack and his orchestra. Decorations will reflect the spirit of the grand harvest season.

Tickets are free to all Freshmen, and upperclassmen will be admitted to the reception at a cost of fifty-cents per ticket. Plan to have your share of the fun. Don't miss this first important social event of the N. U. season!

## Hundreds Enroll in Defense Training Courses

According to Hamilton Torrey, Engineering, Science, and Management Defense Training Co-ordinator, Springfield has been unusually favored in having Defense Training Courses in this area granted to it by the United States Office of Education and offered in Springfield Division of Northeastern University. With practically all of the manufacturers in and around Springfield working on defense work for the government, these emergency courses for the training of engineers and technicians are of vital importance. On October 27, 452 applications for the various courses had been received, and 262 trainees had been accepted. Two classes have already started and the others will begin their work during the week of October 27.

Capt. R. A. Young of the Hartford Ordnance Department will conduct a six weeks' course in Cost Accounting and Control. Captain Young is a particularly

capable instructor in this subject. He has gained fame by outlining the whole fiscal set up of the United States Army Ordnance Department. In addition to his achievements in military circles, Captain Young planned the entire fiscal set up of the State of Connecticut, during the administration of Governor Cross. The requisites for admission to this course are two years of an engineering school or the equivalent in training or experience. High school graduates with extensive experience in shop practice and production work may be qualified.

Foreman Training, another course to be offered, is filling a very urgent need in providing training for those now engaged in production of materials and equipment needed in national defense to equip themselves for positions of greater supervisory responsibility. One of the best known personnel men in the vicinity, Raymond Chapman, employment manager of Gil-

bert and Barker, will conduct this six weeks' course covering labor management, personnel maintenance and industrial relations.

Machine Design and Machine Drawing courses of eight weeks each will be taught by Clifford S. Cody, Westinghouse engineer. The machine design course covers design of machine elements including stress analysis, tolerances and allowances, calculations of parts sizes, fastenings, shafts, belts and drives. As a qualification for admission the applicant must have had three years of an engineering school course of study or its equivalent in training or experience. Knowledge of Applied Mechanics and Strength of Materials is required. The entrance requirements for Machine Drawing are one year of an engineering school or its equivalent in training and experience. In addition this course requires a knowledge of algebra, geometry, trigonometry, physics, mechanical drawing, and graphics. This course includes dimensioning, fastenings, bearings, belts and pulleys, gears, clutches, cams, jigs and fixtures, detail working drawings of machine parts and assembly drawings of simple machines.

William Fitz-Randolph, laboratory technician at the Springfield Armory, will teach Materials Inspection, the purpose of which is to provide training in identification, inspection and physical testing of ferrous metals. High school graduation with some knowledge of physics and chemistry or its equivalent in training and experience are admission qualifications. This course is, however, restricted to Springfield Armory employees. The ten weeks' course consists of classification and identification of ferrous metals, inspection of bars, forgings, castings, effects of heat treatment and physical testing of steel.

The Methods Engineering course, which provides training for those now engaged in production of materials and equipment needed in national defense to enable them to increase production, will be conducted by Lieutenant R. A. Olsen. The course covers Work Simplification, Time Study and Industrial Re-

lations. Two years of engineering school or its equivalent in training and experience are qualifications for admission.

Mr. T. O. Armstrong of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, a widely recognized personnel authority, will instruct the Personnel Administration course. This course provides training to fit men for personnel management in industry and government service. Admission qualifications are the same as for most of the other courses. The course will cover Employment, Service, Supervisory Training, Job Analysis, Wage Surveys, Suggestion Systems and Plant Protection.

Production Planning and Control will be taught by Lieutenant Laurence A. Stone to provide training for those already engaged in production of materials and equipment needed in national defense to enable them to increase production. The content of this six weeks' course is Industrial Organization and Production Control.

Mr. Hamilton Torrey, well-known instructor of English in Springfield and one of the teachers of freshman English here at Northeastern, will conduct the course in Report Writing and Engineering Nomenclature. Requisites for entrance are high school graduation with two years of an engineering school course of study. The course has for its purpose to facilitate the preparation and presentation of business and engineering reports and memoranda, stressing particularly the development and understanding use of a technical vocabulary.

Statics and Kinetics, a review of the fundamentals of Applied Mechanics in preparation for further courses in Strength of Materials and Machine Design, will be taught by Mr. Fred Hutchinson. This course requires two or three years of engineering school or its equivalent in training or experience, and a knowledge of physics and calculus. Statics includes the study of force systems, centroids and center of gravity, movements of inertia and static friction. Kinetics embodies the study of rectilinear mo-

tion, rotation, combined rotation and translation.

Lieutenant J. R. Brown of the Springfield Armory will instruct the course in Strength of Materials, which is a review of the fundamentals of this course in preparation for further courses in Machine Design and so forth. In addition to the usual requirements, this course calls for a knowledge of Applied Mechanics as well. Subjects covered by the course are: stresses and strains, riveted and welded joints, stresses in beams, shearing force and bending moments, and deflection of beams.

These courses are of great value to people eligible to take them. However, both Director John D. Churchill of the Springfield Division of Northeastern and Mr. Torrey have urged that it be understood that no one enrolled in a regular school here is or will be allowed to take the course. This is not a school rule; it is by order of the United States Board of Education at Washington, D. C.

## Epsilon Phi Sigma Installs Officers

'Twas a hot sultry night last summer when EΦΣ installed its newly elected officers, during the week when all those athletic Turnverein young ladies were taking the town over. Incidentally, some of them weren't quite so young.

Pardon the digression of your humble correspondent's wandering eyes or should I say wandering pen?

After having various degrees of success in eating a lobster dinner we went upstairs to install our newly elected officers, George Leger, president; Thomas Donnelly, vice-president; Thomas Brassill, secretary; John A. Pond, treasurer; Wilfred Bourque, chairman of entertainment; Everett Malerba, chairman of membership; Robert Finn, Keeper of the Lock and Key.

### SINCERE SYMPATHY

The faculty and students of Northeastern University, Springfield Division express to Judge Ralph S. Spooner sincere sympathy in the death of his wife, Madeline Sturgis Spooner, on October 16, 1941.

## Navy Commissions Claude R. Parent

The commission of Claude R. Parent as an ensign in the Naval Reserve and the awarding to him of the gold wings of a Naval Aviator has been announced by the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board of Boston.

Ensign Parent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abel J. Parent of West Springfield, has completed successfully the seven months advanced flight training course at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida, as well as the preliminary training of one month at Squantum, Massachusetts.

Northeastern is proud to have had Ensign Parent as a student. He entered in 1936 in the Engineering and Business curriculum, leading to a B. B. A. degree. During his four years at Northeastern, he made a fine scholastic record by remaining on the Dean's List each year.

Graduating from West Springfield High in 1937, where he was a cheer leader, a member of Sock and Buskin Dramatic Club, and the Hi-Y Science Club, Mr. Parent found employment with the Gilbert and Barker Manufacturing Company. He received his primary CAA training last summer at Barnes Airport, Westfield, and obtained a private license.

Following two weeks' leave of absence, Ensign Parent will be ordered to active duty as a pilot in the Aeronautical Organization of the Navy. As an Ensign, he will receive \$245.00 a month, a uniform allowance of \$150.00, and \$500.00 for each complete year of active duty.



## Enrollment of 629 Hits New High

Despite the draft, the increased demands of industry, and the decision of the University to discontinue the admission of freshmen in the Law School of the Springfield Division, the enrollment for 1940-41 has reached a new high of 629.

Of the total registration 41 are upper-classmen in the School of Law, 54 in Pre-College courses, and the remainder in the School of Business. The greatest increase is in the Engineering and Business curriculum of the School of Business.

Although women students are, as usual, in a decided minority, the records show that 29 are enrolled in the Schools of Business and Law.

## N. U. Welcomes New Instructors

### Mr. James Thoburn Smith

Among the new instructors in the School of Business this year is a graduate of Springfield Northeastern, Mr. James Thoburn Smith, of the class of 1929. In fact, he is filling the vacancy left by one of his former instructors, Mr. William W. Johnston, who has taught the course in Income Tax Accounting for many years.

It is a foregone conclusion that Mr. Smith should make a successful instructor for the Income Tax Accounting course, which is definitely not of the "cinch" variety, either to teach or to learn. He has had previous teaching experience and for many years has had the practical experience of working with income taxes.

James Thoburn Smith was born in Chicopee in 1894, was graduated from Chicopee High School, Mt. Hermon School for Boys, and in 1915 from a two year business and teaching course at Bay Path Institute, where he stayed on as an instructor for the following year. Then

for six years he taught in a public school in Hartford, Conn. where he also studied at the Hillyer Institute.

When he returned to Springfield in 1922, Mr. Smith worked as Deputy Assessor in the local Massachusetts Income Tax Office until 1929. During that year he graduated with a Bachelor of Commercial Science Degree from the management curriculum here at Northeastern University, where he studied not only the customary management subjects, but a great many of the accounting subjects under Mr. Johnston, whom he now succeeds. Also during that year he accepted a position in the Union Trust Company of Springfield where he is now an Assistant Trust Officer. For well over a decade his particular responsibilities have concerned income tax work.

He has taught classes for the City of Springfield Evening Schools, for Bay Path Institute, and for the local chapter of the American Institute of Banking.

While Mr. Smith was a student at Northeastern University he was a popular undergraduate, although he was a little older than the average of his class. He was a member of the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity, and in his senior year he was elected the lifetime president of the class of '29. In spite of the fact that Mr. Smith is as busy as he is quiet, he has been constructively active in the Alumni Association of this division of the University.

### Mr. John C. Purves

Mr. John C. Purves is the new instructor in the course on Strength of Materials, succeeding Mr. Malcolm A. MacDuffie.

Mr. Purves was graduated from the Germantown Friends School and from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering in 1918 and in Mechanical Engineering in 1920. While he was doing graduate work in college he acted as assistant in Civil Engineering and has had further teaching experience in the Bridgeport Engineering Institute in 1926 and 1927. Last year he taught Applied Mechanics in the Engi-

neering Defense Training Courses offered by the Springfield Division of Northeastern University as its contribution to the National Defense Program.

As a research engineer Mr. Purves has been associated with such diversified industries as Curtiss Aeroplane Motor Company, E. R. Squibb & Company, pharmaceutical chemists, The American Chain Company, and several others. He has been called as consultant in many important engineering developments throughout the country.

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### Mr. Carl F. Alsing

Mr. Carl F. Alsing is the third of the new instructors added to the faculty of Springfield Northeastern this year. Mr. Alsing was graduated from Worcester Classical High School. At Worcester Polytechnic Institute he was elected to the Sigma Xi fraternity and in 1928 he received his Bachelor of Science degree. Two years later he was awarded his Master of Science degree from the Institute. Since his graduation he has been with the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. With that company in Sharon, Pennsylvania he was engaged in high voltage research. Since 1932 at the company's East Springfield plant he has been working on air conditioning and refrigerator development.

Mr. Alsing is teaching Mechanical Drawing 3 and 4.

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## Fraternity Enjoys Autumn Frolic

George J. Leger and his very charming partner played the role of host and hostess to the many members of EΦΣ at the Capt. Chas. Leonard House, Saturday evening, September 20.

Thirty-two couples danced to the pulse-throbbing music of a magnavox. Came intermission time and the thoughtful hosts served us several varieties of cake, cookies, and soft drinks. What a wel-

come sight—those refreshments! In addition to the dancing the members played ping pong, table hockey and shuffle board.

Among those attending were Al LaRiviere, who is now a selectee stationed at Fort Devens. He hasn't changed much. He'll have to grow some more to fill out his uniform. It's a shame because Al has quite a physique. Another welcome sight was Eugene Riley, a former president of EΦΣ.

This dance is in line with the program of the present officers who feel that informality should be the aim of the fraternity in creating better fellowship. The program will include many social affairs. At least one dance a month will be scheduled throughout the school year and various social affairs will be scheduled between dances.

The fraternity was pleased to award the sophomore scholarship for the year ending June, 1941, to one of its own members, Irwin Duclos, of Chicopee.

A striking coincidence is the fact that Irvin's uncle, Edward Dupuis, is the designer of the Fraternity Plaque. Irwin is in the engineering division.

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## Sorority Holds Midsummer Picnic

On Thursday afternoon, August 21, a beautiful warm summer day, the sorority sisters of ΣNY had a picnic at King Philip's Stockade, our first get-together since we adjourned in May.

This mid-summer treat was perfect from the start. We managed to build a fire that was as good as any boy scout could have made. The members brought their own edibles for roasting. As cooks, Northeastern women are not so bad, even though some corn could not be distinguished from the ashes.

Eunice Donovan was there with her camera and took snapshots of the merry group.

## Listen, My Chillun'

Well, it's bottoms up for another year, and the last one in is a monkey's uncle. Coming back to school is like getting married—after the initial shock is over it isn't too bad. But if you let yourself dwell on those long lovely evenings when the only subject you were interested in had a cute way of putting her hair up; well, you just go away talking to yourself, that's all.

If the difficulty with which a not too big and more or less polite person gets through the nine o'clock melee in front of the bookstore is any barometer of registration figures, I'd say they had upped a bit. I came out of the mess the other night with a bruised ear and Mr. Bowen's coat on. I looked very cute in Mr. Bowen's coat, believe me.

While on the subject of school-starting it might be a good time to take our hats off to a fine bunch of men who as instructors make Northeastern something more than four cold walls of learning. To come back each year and find these same men, men who are successful in their chosen fields, men who don't need to work evenings for whatever consideration they get, giving their time and effort that my school and your school might live and grow. This is no place to mention names, but if I could I'd like to salute each and every one of them personally for their loyalty and for the way they have taught us to be loyal too.

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The student council seems a bit slow after the starting gun, but it's a bit early to howl for action. A speakers' program is in the works, and if we can get our priorities respected we should get the opportunity to hear and see some interesting people this term. The regular repertoire of dances plus perhaps a Christmas dance has been pinned on the wall and the way is being cleared for some actual definite steps that will make your

school a little better place of learning than it was before you came. Whether any or all of this will be accomplished before the final bell in June depends upon the kind of stuff you have on the council and how much you prod them. Prod them, they expect it.

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An artist's brush, a lovely phrase, a thrush on wing, such a thing is my October day. A winding white wagon road zigzags away like a trailing ribbon to the sky. Green and brown, all pastel loveliness, the valley runs in shyness to the river and tells of what the hills have done. My errant steps crackle through the dry, brown wood and raise a partridge, plump and drumming in her protest. A falling leaf that hardly falls, that gently slopes and pitches in a way both gay and sad until, in final symbolism of a cycle done, it joins its sisters on nature's coverlet. The ember warmth of my October sun that seems to creep within and yet within and warms me as no summer sun could 'ere approach. The sky is darker hue, a stronger more vibrant blue, that stretches cloudlessly away and canopies with infinite splendor the tribulations of man the trespasser.

### OH, NO, NEVER

The work of being Seniors develops to an art  
In making underclassmen feel you're really smart  
And keeping the instructors' thoughts along the track  
That those who've reached the final year must not stay back.

### WISE FROSH

A freshman at Springfield N. U.,  
Who boasted a brain cell or two,  
At the big Frosh Reception  
Cried, "This—no deception—  
Is the best gang that I ever knew!"

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## Nor'easter Only All-N. U. Activity

(Maybe this is an editorial; we aren't quite sure.)

Sports writers choose all-American elevens, all-state fives, and all-city nines, but your humble magazine, Nor'easter, modestly nominates itself as the only all-Northeastern University-Springfield-Division activity. Not everybody belongs to the fraternities or to the sorority, not everybody goes to our social affairs, not everybody goes out for our teams, because we haven't any, not everybody even takes the same courses; but everybody can read the Nor'easter with the feeling that it is his, and everybody can contribute to it—and we wish he would!

It is in this role of all-Northeastern activity that Nor'easter seeks your interest, solicits your criticism, and demands your support. Not your financial support, you pay for it anyway, but your active cooperation in making it a magazine more interesting to read and more representative of Springfield Northeastern as a whole.

Since the Nor'easter was first established through the initiative of Mr. Hamilton Torrey and his classes in English 1 and 2, it has had a continuous existence over a considerable period of years. Its existence may sometimes have been precarious; it may have faltered a bit here and there, but it has never quite fallen by the wayside. It has had its big moments; it has published a few noteworthy stories and articles, and all the while it has tried to reflect, though in a clouded glass darkly, the life that goes on in our crowded class rooms and corridors, in our

student organizations and our faculty groups.

The Nor'easter is a democratic little body. It is a student paper, not a faculty document, nor an advertising medium for the college, as many publications are. It has an adviser, but no censor. Its staff meets every Friday evening at 9:15 in Room 2A to plan the next issue, to discuss the articles to be written, to read copy or proof, and to criticize one another's articles or those submitted by contributors. And contributions are not accepted or rejected by any one person, but are handed around the table for the judgment of several.

We like to believe that the Nor'easter will grow and improve. It is on a fairly sound footing now, because of the unselfish efforts of a handful of students who give of their time and energy to its production. It can grow only as all the students will it to grow. We want you to contribute the stories, articles, poems you write for the love of writing them, news items about yourself or other students whom you know, ideas for articles to be written by members of the staff, drawings, jokes—all is grist that comes to our mill, and all is welcome. Any student who would like to play a more active part in the production will be welcome, too, to join the group around the table in Room 2A.

Above all, read the Nor'easter, all of every issue, and tell us what you think of it, whether your opinion is favorable or not. We like to know.

We thank you.



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"With firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in . . . to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations".

—Abraham Lincoln

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# Defense Courses Open Next Week

The present emergency has made it imperative that the emergency courses for the purpose of training engineers and technicians for the nation's defense industries be not only continued but increased.

The program consists of evening courses of college grade for men now employed. If the demand is sufficient, day courses may be offered. Also, if there is sufficient demand, certain courses may be repeated, courses in other subjects may be added, and specialized courses may be established for groups in nearby industrial centers.

Most of the classes will be held at Northeastern University, 114 Chestnut Street, Springfield, although certain courses may be held elsewhere. Courses will begin the week of February 16, and will vary in length from six to fifteen weeks.

Requirements for admission vary, with the scope and intensity of each course, from high school graduation to two or three years of engineering school work. There are no tuition charges for the course, but the student is required to supply his own textbooks, and incidentals, the cost of which probably will not exceed \$10 except in the drawing courses.

Courses which will be offered include: Cost Accounting for Control, Foreman

Training, Machine Design, Machine Drawing, Materials Inspection, Metallurgy, Advanced Metallurgy, Methods Engineering, Personnel Administration, Production Planning and Control, Report Writing, and Safety Engineering.

For further information on any particular course, see Mr. Hamilton Torrey. Applicants should secure application blanks as soon as possible and return them completely filled out and showing first and second choices. This is necessary since courses must be limited to effective working groups. Applicants will be tentatively accepted on the basis of the application, but final acceptance is contingent upon a personal interview.

This program is organized under the Engineering, Science, and Management Defense Training program of the United States Office of Education and is a part of a nationwide project for specialized training in fields essential to national defense. All courses must be approved by the United States Office of Education. In Springfield, the program is sponsored by the College of Engineering of Northeastern University in co-operation with the Springfield Division of N. U.

The courses recently completed trained a total of 276 men. Applications to January 17 totaled approximately 300.

## Epsilon Plans Valentine Party

President George Ledger of EΦΣ announces that the fourteenth annual dance will be held February 14, St. Valentine's Day, at the Hotel Kimball.

This dance is the climax of the EΦΣ year. With that danceable orchestra of Johnny Newton to highlight the evening and all boys and girls in their best "bib and tucker"—Oh yes, it is to be formal—it is sure to be an enjoyable evening.

Everett Malerba, general chairman, plans to have the festivities start at 7:30 sharp with a tempting dinner. "Ev"

wants it understood that there will be NO speechmaking at the dinner. "Ev" will be very glad to accept your table reservations. Make up a table party of your own and join the fun.

Assisting Everett Malerba are Roger Bennett, arrangements and decorations; Fred Suss, orchestra; Nick Latino, publicity; Frank Plazek, dinner.

This will be the last chance for some of the fellows to be with the fraternity for the duration. Come on down and show them a good time.

## Parking Troubles?

The Student Council is trying to help solve the parking problem that confronts the students who drive to school. The owners of the parking lots in the vicinity of Northeastern University were asked to consider the parking of student cars on week nights for the remainder of the school term, at a reduced rate. The council action was based on an idea contributed to the suggestion box by some public-spirited student.

Lorimer's Parking Lot on the corner of Dwight and Harrison Avenue was finally judged to be the best in many ways. Most of the parking lots close at six o'clock, and a few stay open only long enough to get the theater crowd inside the lot. Lorimer's lot was found to be the only one on Dwight Street which had watchman service. This means a great deal with the chance that gas or tires may be removed when the car is left in an unprotected area. Mr. Lorimer's lot is near to the school and easy to get into from all directions. If a sufficient number of Northeastern students make use of Lorimer's Parking Lot, the parking charge will be only 15c. (One fender saved from damage would pay for plenty of parkings at this figure.) A good portion of this parking lot is given over to defense workers who pay 20c every night.

According to the list of names signed to a request for parking aid—there should be more than enough cars to keep Mr. Lorimer's plan in effect. However, a check of results to date seems to indicate that some of these who signed up now have put up their cars or have no difficulty finding parking because of the number who did. Mr. Lorimer is willing to lengthen the trial period and await developments. The Council urges all students who drive to sign up, and to use the parking privilege.

When the day comes that Northeastern University has its own buildings, there will be provisions made for parking cars, should we be using them at that time—we might need a landing field.

## Piepoudre Pies

It all started with the query, "What is a piepoudre court?"

One of the law instructors, as well versed in ancient English law as he is in modern law, proceeded in great detail to explain about the English courts held in conjunction with the fairs. He finally asked the inquirer if he had thought it was something to eat. This led to a discussion of pies, particularly mince. The instructor professed a great liking for mince pice and claimed he could make luscious ones. The student said if he succeeded in attaining a certain mark in his quiz, the instructor should bring one of his pies.

A week or two later in walked the instructor, who is a most dignified gentleman. Under his arm he carried an oblong box which he presented to the man who raised the question of the piepoudre court. The box when opened held nine individual mince pies and cheese to go with them. The pies were passed to the students in the class who can now all attest to a capable lawyer's culinary abilities.

The lawyer, however, had wanted to carry out the piepoudre affair one step farther by filling one pie with powder, but this he was forbidden to do by his wife, who evidently did some supervising over the making of the pies.

### HEARD IN THE CORRIDORS

Where's that Economics class tonight?

Say, have you seen——?

Gee! Is that test tonight?

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### HEARD IN THE BOOKSTORE

Give me one of them English books?

What Division are you in? Well, who's your instructor?

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### HEARD IN THE OFFICE

When was tuition due?

Well it was posted on the Bulletin Board!

## Listen, My Chillun

A top-ranking F. H. A. official has admitted that the building of the homes in the Chicopee Federal Housing project without cellars was a serious mistake. "The whole thing," says the brain truster, "was due to my unacquaintance with New England weather conditions." All of which should keep the shivering tenants well het up. Any day now you can expect to hear of Washington celebrating New Years.

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A precept of longer years than you or I is that each individual is the product of his life. Deciphered, that means that every act and every thought and every contact shaps our life to our destiny, the idea being that we should shape the actions and thoughts etc. toward a definite predetermined destiny and thereby swing our lives in that direction, which is all right if you like predetermined destinies. Personally I like surprises. Out of the same bag of Twaddle, while you're swinging your lives around swing in and see the movie *How Green Was My Valley*. It is a picture that has lost itself in a beautifully told story. Marvelously well acted, it talks from the mouths of people that you and I know, and sings to the music of man and toil. See it and feel closer to mankind.

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Whether slapping babies, kicking crutches, burning the old homestead, or just plastered against the corridor walls of our school; a heel's a heel for a'that. God made man in his own image with two legs. Lincoln made them long enough to reach the ground. Northeastern's job is to teach you to stand on them, both of them. So what do you do to make your maker, your mother and your school proud of you? You drape yourselves up against the wall like drunken penguins and smear our school's corridors from end to end with the footprints of inertia.

This is no edict, handed down from the powers that be. It is merely what it appears to be—an observation and criticism

by one of you to all of you.

You who care what your school looks like; watch for these adolescent herons with one leg tucked beneath their obese posteriors and you have my permission to break that single stilt, their only human appearing appendage.

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Along with the slush of melting snow, the next few months will bring to life the soup and fish of Northeastern's character. The Greeks are having theirs first, along about the first of March. The school itself down to the last pre-college student blows the works at the annual dinner dance in April. It's no wild guess that any and all will be worth the effort.

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"Remember Pearl Harbor"—how far short of its mark this battle cry has fallen. Oh America, are you but such a tiny step from savagery that you should dip your head in the blood of your sons to inspire you to more blood-letting.

Pearl Harbor, Japan, the Nazis are not actions; but rather reactions. They are the surface eruptions of a deeper disease—a dirty, filthy disease that has gnawed at the vitals of us mortals until even the greatest among men are dwarfs.

Long ago men might have led themselves from the wilderness of hatred had it not been for their greed, their ignorance, and their prejudice.

And what have you My America, done to heal the sores of this war weary world. Have you, O Blessed among nations, plucked the cancer from the breast of mankind or have you lain supine, gorging yourself upon the bounty that belongs to all those who walk this earth.

After Pearl Harbor is avenged, what then, sweet land of liberty, will your mountains rise like shining spires of glory and lead all the world to peace through understanding. Will your rivers make green your fields with brotherly love and your fields give unselfishly of their bounty that all men everywhere might be born to an equal inheritance.

Or will you, land where our fathers died, return quickly to your smug com-



placency calling all men brothers and yet not asking how they live. Will you let there be more and yet more Pearl Harbors until man devours himself. Good God, Oh America, is this thy destiny? Wilt thou go through the ages remembering Pearl Harbor, the Maine, the Alamo? Must each new generation of thy people bring forth some new remembrance of hate?

Pearl Harbor was thy cue.

Oh land of the pilgrim's pride, Rise up, my beloved country. This decade will give you the reason for your birth. Take your place at the head of all nations and rid this world of indifference among men.

America, of thee let me sing.

## Sorority Celebrates

On December 30, Jean Cameron invited the sorority girls to her home for a New Year's party.

Jean is one of these hostesses who are always full of bright and entertaining ideas. First of all, she had us go on a hunt. We searched high and low for the various articles which were placed in the most unexpected places. She then had us guessing movie stars. A picture was pinned on a girl's back and she tried to find out who it was by asking the others questions. Robert Taylor was revealed because the girls made such a fuss over him. (Just like girls.)

After a few more entertaining games were played, delicious refreshments were served. About nineteen girls attended this affair.

## War News

By Ralph Chapelaine '42

How far is Wake Island from Midway Island? What is Rangoon? Is it an ape? Is it a product of a foreign nature? Where is Rostov? How many islands are there in the Hawaiian group? Is Luzon an Island of the Philippine or of the Hawaiian group? Who owns or controls Tunisia? Where is it? What is a Quisling? What army has had to flee from

what country because the people of that country just would not "admit that they were beaten"? When Hitler has nothing encouraging to tell his people why does he always say that "operations are proceeding according to plan"? These and hundreds of other questions I could never have answered had it not been for the war.

In addition to teaching me the various uses for the word "draft", and causing me to look up and to squint at every big plane that passes, the war has taught me many things including the fact that I am ignorant. You know I went through High School. I had studied geography, history and civics and a great many other subjects. Could anyone blame me for thinking I knew it all?

With all my preparation I sat back in the World Stadium to watch the contestants and to comment on the possible substitutes who sat in the dug-out. I read the paper and current magazines. They told of a well-meaning old gentleman with an umbrella who went to Munich to procure "Peace for our time". The papers tell of how the people of England cheered his return. I cheered too. I read some more and learned that Hitler had invaded Czechoslovakia. They told me that Hitler wanted Libesraum and that he would find it there. "That's right," said I, "Hitler cannot stand a long war. He won't dare go any further." I flicked the ashes from my cigar and placed my thumbs in my vest; you fancy how.

Time went on, and war was declared. I read papers, listened to speeches from London, Washington and Berlin. It was fashionable to express one's opinion as to how the British should conduct the war, and for the sake of feeding my ego, I did likewise. "After all I must know something about this," said I. "I read the papers." Once in a while I would meet somebody who led me to believe he thought I was clever by asking me my opinion on the war. At such time I would muse, and don that omniscient look, and after clearing my throat I would review the past in such a way as to

lay a foundation for a prognostic. The next morning the headlines of the papers would scream out the very opposite.

Such an experience would naturally cause me to shrug my shoulders a bit and to prepare a few excuses. At such time I could always find a bit of comfort in the thought that Churchill had thought the same as I did on the situation. (It was most probably the reverse but please don't force me to admit every little thing).

The war went on. Hitler rolled fast and furiously over nearly all the nations of Europe. He attacked, conquered them in ways in which they said he could not; he sank ships he could not sink; he made friends with those they called his enemies; he fed his armies with food he didn't have; his tanks rolled on with oil he could not get. Today we, the United States, are at war with Japan. Exactly as they foretold that we never would.

Yes, so many times I read the papers and they proved wrong. I listened to commentators, they too were a little off. I then expressed my own opinion about things. I now know about lands I never heard of. Time and again my ignorance has been laid bare until today at last I know I'm ignorant. But ask me what I think about the war and I'll tell you all over again because, after all, I read the papers.

## Of The People . . .

By Robert Pugsley '47

I was sitting in the dark, looking out the window and wondering what there was to write about, when suddenly the reflection on the window pane of the glow from my cigarette, gave me an idea.

Outside the window were the common every-day things that most of us never give a second thought to—just a small section of America, that we all seek to preserve.

The house on the opposite corner has the first Christmas tree on the street. The red and blue lights give off a warm homey glow, while still casting mysterious shadows against the house. It makes one

wonder and reflect on the meaning of Christmas.

Across the street the light shines from my neighbors' windows, like huge glowing eyes in a large white face. The light upstairs indicates that perhaps the folks may be planning to retire for the evening. I am right, for even as I write this the lights on the first floor have all gone to sleep—a peaceful sleep which perhaps only our war torn neighbors can appreciate.

The house next to them is all lit up as usual however, for Ralph and I are the night owls of the neighborhood, the burners of the midnight oil.

In the street it is very still and quiet, the silence broken only by the purr from the motor of an occasional passing car. The one parked automobile looks like some forlorn creature gone to sleep.

Outside my window, so close it seems I can almost touch it, yet so commonplace I failed to notice until now, is the motionless shape of a large elm tree. If it could only talk, it could, I'm sure, tell more of what my eyes have failed to see—the common, every-day things that we never give a second thought to—the things that make up America.

## Guilbert in Air Corps

From a Nor'easter reporter to U. S. Army Air Corps in a very short time is the record of Private Joseph A. Guilbert, better known to us as Alcide Guilbert, class of '46.

Private Guilbert, after a week at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, was sent to the U. S. Army Air Corps, 25th Air Base Division, Westover Field, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

Private Guilbert states he is receiving basic training in the hands of very competent officers. The recruits are given an option, after four months, of applying for officers' training school or study of air mechanics. "Al" hasn't yet made his decision.

He'd appreciate hearing from his friends and former school mates at Northeastern.

# Going Places

with ferguson

C. Frank McMarrow, a member of the class of 1945, enlisted in the Naval Reserves for the duration. Frank was "going places" in the school of Engineering and Business and in his daily occupation as an experimental mechanic for the Wico Electric Company. Radioman 2nd Class McMarrow as he will be known from now on, is "going places" with the colors but he doesn't know where. Destination Unknown—Good Luck.

Captain Spurr expectes to be "going places" very soon. But when or where—Unknown—Good Luck Captain!

Norman Powell left January 15 for Newport Naval Base for initial training, another Nor'easter "going places". Norm, was in his second year in the school of Business and was well known for his many activities—IITK, DeMolay, Boy Scouts, local music circles. Norm was employed by the Dentists and Surgeon's Supply.

What young lady is "going places" with the young man with the bouncy steps?

Why were there so many worried faces "going places" around Alma Mater during the week of the 12th? Couldn't be exams???

"Going Places" recently heard of one of our professors who was "going places" with 10 gallons of cider and how he came to grief. Was it gas rationing, Prof.?

Alcide Guilbert is "going places" with the Army. Al left for Jefferson Barracks on January 16. Good Luck, Al. Al was in the school of Accounting and was a member of the Student Council.

"Going Places" met an old Nor'easter friend recently, an old friend who has been missed in our corridors this year. Gene Jeness is working nights now. Gene told your newsboy that he was keeping his hand in by attending A. I. C. (Gr-r) for a couple of classes. Gene ex-

pects to be back next year. Be watching for you, Gene.

Peter Pastuszek is "going places" as a married man since January 17. Good luck to the new Northeasternette. Pete is in the school of Engineering.

As one of our Professors was "going places" late one evening he found a brand new tire and tube and he turned it over to the authorities. Imagine!

Let's face the facts—Due to tire rationing there is considerable danger of having your car stripped. Don't take chances but take our advice and use the parking space which the Council went to some trouble to arrange for YOU. Lorimer's Park Lot on Dwight Street.

Walt Hopkins is "going places" now. He just bought a new skiing outfit. We'll know the reason when he comes to school limping.

Ask Bill Finnell about his hotel room. Too bad, Bill!

Ernie Wilkins is "Going Places"—mostly up, up, and up. Ernie enlisted for duty in the air corps, leaving the class of '43 and the School of Law and Business behind. Ernie is a member of the IITK fraternity and the Student Council. Happy Landings, Ernie!

Do you know a young lady named Moore? She is really "Going Places" - - - purl one—knit two - - - with a pair of knitting needles and we mean going—Forty classes and nary a stitch dropped.

The U. S. Navy is receiving its share of Northeasterners. "Going Places" with the Navy is Harold Gibbons of the class of '45, School of Engineering and Business. Harold has been employed by the Westinghouse Sales and Service

Fred Seel was "Going Places" the other night in a way many a Northeasterner would envy. She's all right, Fred!

## Sorority Plans Initiation

Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority is making plans for its initiation banquet to be held at the Bragg Sisters, 1885 Westfield Street, West Springfield on February 21.

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## On Going to Night School

By Sidney A. Rasanen '43

"What are you going to school for when you could be having some fun?" is a question often asked of me. "What will you be when you graduate?" I also hear. "To keep out of mischief," I reply to the first query; to the second I respond, "A graduate". Rather silly answers, but not the real reasons, of course.

Why do I go to school when I could be having fun? Will you seek out my reasons with me?

I have always been curious about everything. Why? How? When? Where? These have been the guides of my thinking. My last year in high school opened up many new avenues of investigation or study. My business is business and therefore I enrolled as a student in the Management course of Northeastern. Why the Management curriculum instead of the more popular Accounting? Because Management offered the more comprehensive study of business activities, taking into consideration all of the aspects of modern business instead of just the analysis and interpretation of accounts. The many phases of modern business offer an intensely interesting challenge for comprehension and the avenues toward mastery of those phases are pointed out by a management curriculum. To be equipped to meet this challenge and be able to follow the avenues to mastery are my

real reasons for attending evening school.

Keeping out of mischief is not a reason for going to evening school but is certainly a result.

Many times we students are accused of going to school only to prepare us to command a larger salary. True it is that intensive preparation will help us to earn a larger salary, but if this is our sole motive, then we defeat the real purpose of getting an education. A student is one who is interested in learning a thing for its own sake, not for the benefits he may obtain from the knowledge. If we are interested only in possible pecuniary benefits, what real interest can we have in college work? We will be interested only in getting credit for the course and graduating.

Want to make more money? Well then, let's honestly prepare ourselves by honestly being students while here and by getting a real education. A real student is a student on the job or in school. The natural methods of learning we have cultivated will enable us to do our work more proficiently and thereby command the attention of our employers who will pay us accordingly. If we will prepare ourselves to do our present jobs well and to cope with new problems in an intelligent manner, our value will soon be recognized.



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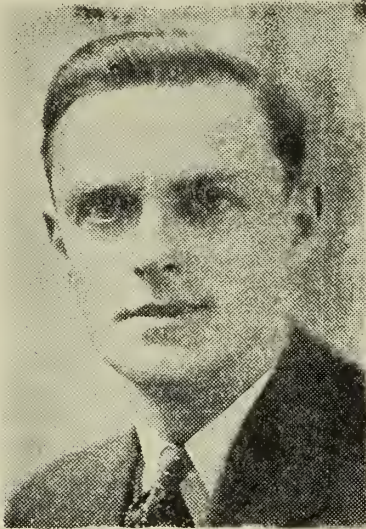
"Let us have faith that right makes might,  
and in that faith let us to the end dare  
to do our duty as we understand it".

—Abraham Lincoln

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## Seven Win Commencement Appointments

Seven seniors have received provisional commencement appointments: John T. Hanley and Frank Placzek of the School of Law, and Burt L. Johnson, Ruth M. Moore, Erland C. Porter, John F. Sullivan, Jr., and Edmund Szymczyk of the School of Business. Of these two will be chosen to speak at the commencement exercises on June 10, and two will be alternates.

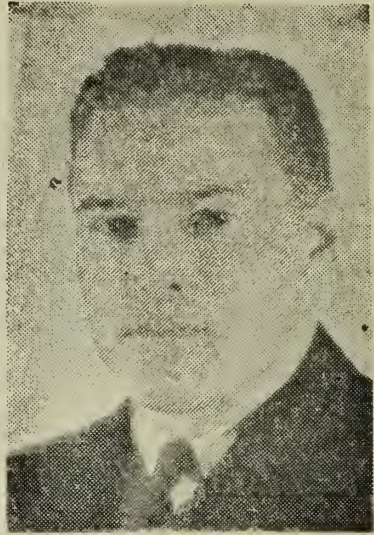


JOHN T. HANLEY, JR.

John T. Hanley was graduated from Technical High School in 1933 and began his work at Northeastern in the School of Business. In 1937 he transferred to the School of Law. He is a member of  $E\Phi\Sigma$ , and is president of the senior class.

Frank Placzek is a graduate of Westfield High School in the class of 1933. He is a member of  $E\Phi\Sigma$ . He is employed by the Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Company.

Burt L. Johnson was graduated from the High School of Commerce in 1936. He is employed by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company as



FRANK PLACZEK



BURT L. JOHNSON

an accountant, and is majoring in accounting at Northeastern.

Ruth M. Moore is a graduate of Westfield High School in the class of 1929, and is employed as an accountant at the

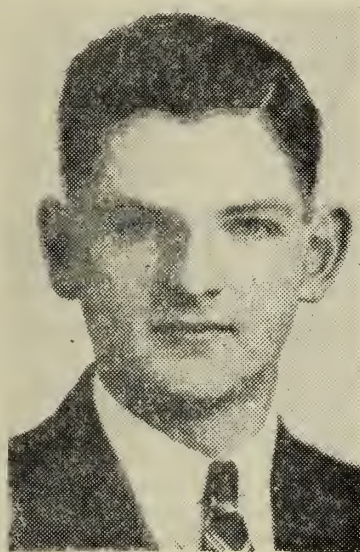




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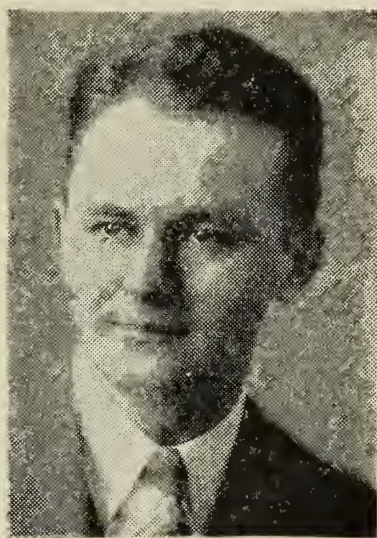
JOHN F. SULLIVAN, JR.



ERLAND C. PORTER

National Printing Company of Thompsonville, Connecticut. She is a member of ΣNY, and is secretary of the senior class.

Erland C. Porter is a graduate of the



EDMUND A. SZYMCHYK

Howard High School, West Bridgewater, in 1935. He studied at Burdett Business College, Boston, and at Northeastern in Boston. He transferred to the Springfield division in 1939.

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## Annual Dinner Dance Saturday Night

The Twenty-Third Annual Spring Dinner Dance is one of the three major social functions for all Northeasterns. Sponsored by the Student Council, this dance is planned so that you will have a good time and meet your classmates in a social atmosphere.

At Northeastern University, we are not able to have all the social times and opportunities for fellowship we might like. Therefore, when the occasion arrives for this opportunity, we believe it should be of the best and that EVERYONE will want to attend. Here listed are the vital statistics:

Place—Hotel Kimball

Date—April 11, 1942

Time—Dinner at 6:30

Orchestra—Bob Chaplin (10 pieces)

Dress—Semi-formal

Price—Moderate—75 cents each

Who Goes—You—Your Friends

Reservations—See Norman Ferguson

Sponsors—Student Council

(Your representatives)

NOTE: Bob Chaplin's Orchestra is well known to our friends and is

one of those bands that makes you pick-'em-up and lay-'em-down.

A mighty important matter will be taken care of at the Twenty-Third Annual Dinner Dance. Each year it is the custom to honor with a gold "N" those students who have contributed most to Northeastern University during the year. Who will receive the award this year? The answer will be given the night of April 11.

Edward Hachadourian, President of the Student Council, urges all to make early reservations. President Ed invites your inspection of the committee chairmen for the dance. You know these people. Can they plan a good time? Yes, sir!!!

Orchestra—Ben Astley

Menu—Jim Lovett

Program—Bill Sleith

Invitations—Katherine Porter

Tickets—Norman Ferguson

Decorations—Corsage—Dick Johnson

Publicity—Francis Collins

Will you be there?? You will? O. K. See you at 6:30, April 11.

## Seven Win

(from page 3)

John F. Sullivan, Jr., was graduated in 1936 from the High School of Commerce. He is a public accountant, employed by Scovell, Wellington & Co. as an income tax specialist. He is a member of EΦΣ, and was treasurer of his class in 1938-39.

Edmund A. Szymczyk was graduated from Bliss Electrical School in Washington, D. C., in 1936. He had previously attended Technical High School and was graduated from Trade School in 1933. He is employed in the merchandising engineering department of the Westinghouse Electrical and Manufacturing Company. He was a member of the Ad Lib Club.

Each of the seven to be honored has maintained high scholastic standing throughout the course at Springfield Northeastern.

## BUY DEFENSE BONDS

## Eileen Griffin Elected

At the annual meeting of the Sigma Nu Upsilon held February 26, 1942, in the Women's Club Room, Eileen Griffin, '46 (Business Management), was elected president for the year 1942-1943. Jane Kusnierz, '46 (Accounting), was elected vice-president. The secretary is Edith Rowley, '43 (Accounting), and Mary Scahill, '46 (Accounting) is the new treasurer.

The new officers have the records of the past years with their many accomplishments, to try to equal, and if possible, to exceed.

Sigma Nu Upsilon stands for Spring-



field Northeastern University and aims to promote good fellowship among the women members of the school. To achieve this the sorority strives to have at least one social activity a month during the school year.

## The Gold "N"

The gold "N" of Northeastern is to be awarded this year, as in the past couple of years, at the Annual Dinner Dance.

The "N", symbolical of recognized achievement in Northeastern for Northeasterns, is the only means at the command of the school and students to honor those outstanding students who have contributed most to our Alma Mater. The number to receive this award is not limited by any official decree or precedent, but is limited to those who have done the most.

The "N" was awarded in 1940 to Mr. Harley Goodrich. Mr. Goodrich rightly deserved the first award of the "N" for his outstanding work on behalf of Northeastern and Northeastern students. The award in 1941 was made to Miss Elizabeth Eason for her outstanding work in all activities of the school, and to Mr. Edward Hachadourian for his work in many phases of student activity.

The committee this year will be composed of members of the faculty, the administration, and the Student Council. Representing the Administration, Mr. John D. Churchill; the faculty, Mr. Hamilton Torrey, Mr. C. I. Chatto; the student body, President Edward Hachadourian, Mr. Francis Collins, Mr. William Sleith.

The intrinsic value of the "N" is small; the symbolic value is priceless. The award will be made only after careful deliberation, for honor, merit and special service.

It is a token to be worn wisely and with dignity.

## Passes C.P.A. Exam

Mrs. Eunice Donovan '43 has successfully passed the Massachusetts Certified Public Accountant exam which she took in Boston last November.

Mrs. Donovan's achievement is even more remarkable in that, although still an undergraduate, she made good on her first attempt at the examination.

Mrs. Donovan is a graduate of the High School of Commerce in the class of 1931, and has received most of her accounting training at Northeastern. She has completed her accounting subjects, and is now finishing her course in order to obtain the B. B. A. degree. She has been on the Dean's list several times in past years.

She has been a member of the staff of Scovell, Wellington and Company since 1937.

Mrs. Donovan put in a great deal of time in preparing for the exam, planned a schedule for studying, and faithfully stuck to it.

## Three Join Sorority

ΣNY Sorority held its nineteenth annual initiation banquet at the Briggs Sisters' in West Springfield, Saturday evening, February 21, at which time three new members were inducted.

Louise Kennedy, President, was chairman of arrangements, assisted by Eunice Donovan and Jane Kusnierz. About twenty members were served a delicious dinner.

It was indeed a pleasure to have with us members of the alumnae.

The candidates were put to great tasks, but they admit it was loads of fun.

Our new members are:

Anna Ambrozoits. Anne is a graduate of Holyoke High School and is employed by the American Writing Paper Company in the Accounting Department. She is taking the Accounting Course.

Freda Metter. Freda's alma mater is the High School of Commerce. She is a bookkeeper for the Interstate Slipper Company in Easthampton, and is also in the Accounting Course.

Melinda Martin. Lindy also is from the High School of Commerce, and is a student of Accounting here at Northeastern. She is the secretary and bookkeeper for the Springfield Electrical Company, Inc.

## Epsilon Has Birthday

Epsilon Phi Sigma celebrated its fourteenth anniversary in a most fitting manner—on St. Valentine's Day. What better valentine for one's best girl friend than to celebrate by going to a formal dinner dance at the Kimball Hotel? And to top it off—a dance to one of the most danceable of collegiate bands, Johnny Newton's.

Many of the prominent members of the alumni association joined the undergraduate members in celebrating perhaps our last chance to be together for the duration. About seventy-five couples attended.

Members serving on the committee were George Leger, Everett Malerba, Ben Astley, Jim Kelly.

The Hotel Sheraton was the scene of EΦΣ's latest social sortie a la Smorgasbord. What an opportunity to display one's imagination in the selection of food—an opportunity to make instant decisions about proper balance for an evening meal. Some of us were modest about stacking our plate on our first trip, and some of more abundant capacity really piled it on—or should we say piled it in?

George Leger, Frank Placzek, and Fred Suss got together in a very harmonious rendition of the fraternity song. A trio of amateurs, the Smith sisters, dedicated two songs to their respective escorts who were leaving shortly for the Army.

George Leger and Everett Malerba were in charge of reservations.

## FRATS PLAN MAY DANCE

On Saturday, May 9, Epsilon Phi Sigma, Pi Tau Kappa, Sigma Nu Upsilon, and the Student Council will hold the first interfraternity dance in the history of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University. The gala affair will be held at the Holyoke Canoe Club, dress will be semi-formal, and music will be furnished by the Springfield Dons.

Louise Kennedy, '42, is acting as chairman of the committee in charge of the dance. She is assisted by Deane Clark, Frank Collins, Dave Duncan, Tom Donnelly, Ed Hachadourian, George Leger, Frank Placzek, Fred Suss, Paul Theilig and Katherine Porter.

This innovation has promise of being one of the outstanding social events in the history of Northeastern.

## Epsilon Goes to Town--of Amherst, Mass.

The night of March 7, Epsilon Knights "took over" the town of Amherst, Mass. The occasion was the performance of "Girl of the Golden West", David Belasco's play, in which the Amherst Masquers really displayed their versatility.

The fraternity lads prefaced the theater enjoyment with a dinner at the Lord Jeff Inn, where as usual, the three musketeers, Frank Placzek, Fred Suss and George Leger, provided ample entertainment. Fred showed some new card tricks he learned on a recent trip to Boston. Frank, against everyone's protest, insisted on repeating his thread-bare rural jokes. George sang a few tunes and tried to be quiet without success.

All agreed that Amherst should be seen more often and that more people should see the next performance of the Masquers in April. What do you say, fellows?

# Greek Meets Greek

By Hachadourian

Soon the bowling season for Pi Tau Kappa will be a thing of the past and many of the loyal alley-bumpers will from time to time bring up for discussion some particular event of the season that arose above the ordinary and those present will garner many a laugh recalling the incident.

One particular event seems to be worthy of mention, not because of the good brand of bowling that was shown that evening, though there was a masterful string or two, but rather because of general beating the maples didn't take, and how it came about.

You see the Sigma Nu Upsilon girls challanged the IITK boys to a match and we proceeded to have a "bust-up" affair. There I go in error again, for when we think of busting, anyway where bowling is concerned, we as a rule picture balls rolling true and hard, scattering pins about, and as I see it all now and glance once again at the score sheet, well, I can't see where that word busting fits the occasion.

The girls proved to be just girls (they won't like this) and the boys, though they won, showed their lack of knowledge of the finer points and turned up with their usual seventies, eighties, and now and then a ninety or better. I had an 82, which is rather good for me.

Frank "Frances" Ferguson and Joe "Josephine" Bickley volunteered to bowl with the girls' team, as they put it, "Just to even up the side," and the brawl got underway.

Eileen Griffin opened for the sisters with a mild 62, and took the short end of the count from her opponent Paul Theilig whose 76 was hardly worth telling about, but I must, and so it goes. It was still anybody's fight though hope waned for the girls when Bob Jahn scored a good 93 while Eunice "four-ball" Donovan who, "thought you rolled until they all fell down," (please stand aside. I

need more air) managed a sizzling 52.

From here in we just coasted. Anyway, the boys thought they needed some excuse for their lack of form. Jane Kusnierz almost got a 70 but not quite, and had to be contented with a 69 which, however low, was high, if you get what I mean, for the Sororityites. Edith Rowley, who kept fighting to the very end, could manage no better than what might under the circumstances be considered as a good 68.

And so it went, from bad to worse and then bad again, until the dust of the alleys cleared and the final showed a total pin-fall: IITK, 488 and ENY, 405. Mind you, each team had six bowlers!

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MATCH:

When Millie Lezinski's efforts were fruitless from the regulation stopline, she walked half way down the alley, as she explained, because she hadn't had any practice and it wasn't fair to have to stay away back.

Harley Goodrich got his lonesome spare the hard way, bouncing pins off the partition walls in the third box of the first string.

Eileen Griffin, in scoring Tom Aalto's strike, said, "Someone mark it up. I'm scored."

The two bright marks on the evening's records are Frank Ferguson's and Joe Bickley's exhibition when it didn't count. Frank rolled a 130 with a first half 73; Joe had a 101, and his first half score of 74 included 4 spares in a row.

Another match will follow, promised Jane Kusnierz, manager of the girls, and IITK had better look out. Guess she was inspired by the 89 she was later able to put together.

From latest reports we have learned that the ENY girls are practicing religiously and expect to turn the tables on the first match winners. Perhaps they will and maybe the star that evening will prove to be some unheralded newcomer, or maybe the improved Edith Rowley, who it is reported had two good rounds at 85 and 94.

# Going Places

with ferguson

"The time has come NOT to talk of many things".

Every day one hears of new criticisms of the way this war is being prosecuted. Now is the time for every faithful American to have a great deal more faith. Politicians will make speeches condemning methods employed, but remember a politician is always looking to the next election.

What E. S. M. D. T. executive is trying, but hard, to displace Mr. Grace as Best Dressed Prof.?

"Going Places" notes that Tom Liberty is engaged to be married.

Howard Brandt is another who will be "Going Places" (mostly to the altar) soon.

Congratulations, boys. We shall be happy to welcome you warmly to the "Dog House".

"Going Places" notes many vacancies in the males of the old Alma Mater these nights. Can it be that some have left and we have missed them?

Meet the new politician, "Ev" Malerba, who is "going places". How's the town meeting, "Ev"?

"Going Places" was reliably informed that the EΦΣ dance was a success and among those in attendance were these old timers: Tom Moriarty, Gene Riley, Harry Nystrom, and Murray Lerner.

If you want to stay on the good side of the boys of EΦΣ don't ask them in for celery soup. NO, SIR!!!

Joe Latino leads a wicked conga line and Fred Suss makes a good second. That's a new way of "Going Places". 1-2-3, boom!!

Have you heard Dave Tilden is a new papa? "Yep". Hi, POP!

Don't forget the Student Council is planning a dinner dance for YOU!!! See you there.

Thomas D. Clancy is "Going Places" with the Field Artillery. Tom is stationed at Fort Devens awaiting reassignment.

Bob Flint is "Going Places" some time

in June. Listen for the bells, they'll "toll" you when.

Wouldn't you know????

Some of Northeastern's embryonic lawyers had a party recently and "Going Places" hears they spent most of the time arguing. Some fun, eh, Pop??

"Going Places" noticed Doug Chisholm wandering around the block sort of aimlessly one evening after class. Guess what? He forgot where he'd parked his car!!

There has been a great deal of forgetfulness lately. Ask Joe Stothert how to smoke cigarettes. Joe's a flame eater.

Have you heard?? About Walt Hopkins and Staff Morrison, we mean. 2:30 A. M. on Walnut Street arguing for hours. Must have been important. What was it, boys, grandstand managing??

"Going Places" notes that walls are improving in appearance. Now if we could have the books in the library cleaned, everything would be decidedly improved.

What engaged young man was seen winking at a young lady in red? Hmmm.

What young lady was picked up by the police as a subversive agent. Good thing she studied law at Northeastern. She was able to talk her way out of it. We bet she will look twice before she snaps another picture.

What do you think of the "feather bob", boys? Neither do we!

Did you know we have a Prof. at Northeastern who is "Going Places" astronomically? Yes, sir.

There is a fellow who entered Northeastern in 1923 and is finally "Going Places" after nineteen years. Yep, Harley is graduating this year—for the second time!

What law Prof. finally ACQUIRED a statute book last March 16.

How many Northeastern "studes" were stopped from "Going Places", but in a hurry Monday, March 23?

Remember this when you remember Pearl Harbor:

United we stand;

DIVIDED WE SPRAWL.



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"Only when all life and all the souls of  
men and women are discharged from the  
earth—then only shall liberty be discharged  
from the earth."

—Walt Whitman

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## Northeastern And War Training

By Kirk Enzor

The war has hit all colleges a very hard and powerful blow. In some instances the blow has been fatal. The passage of the 18-19-year-old draft act will hit the colleges another blow and will, perhaps, prove fatal to a few more of them. The passage of this act will cause the most drastic upheavals that higher education has experienced in more than a quarter century. The New York Times of November 8, 1942, states, "Extension of the draft to 18 and 19-year olds will leave only about 7 per cent of all American male college students not liable for service in the armed forces." Springfield Northeastern has been hit too, but we are not just taking it on the chin and doing nothing about it. We are fighting back, and HOW!!

Springfield Northeastern has the distinct advantage of being located in one of the most important war production centers of the country. Many hundreds of items used in modern warfare are manufactured in the surrounding towns and cities. When the war began factories felt the immediate need of trained and skilled men with engineering and technical training. Our administrative officers and instructors are quick to open the door to service when it knocks. Accordingly, with Mr. Hamilton Torrey of the faculty as coordinator, a series of emergency courses was begun two years ago to train engineers and technicians urgently needed in the nation's war industries. These courses are sponsored by the College of Engineering of Northeastern University at Boston in cooperation with the Springfield Division of Northeastern.

Courses are offered in Engineering Drawing for Women, Machine Design, Machine Drawing, Materials Inspection, Metallurgy I, Safety Engineering, Methods Engineering, and Production Planning and Control. This program is part of a nation-wide project supported by the government for specialized training in fields essential to the war effort. All

courses are of college grade, but the requirements for admission vary with the scope and intensity of each course. There is no tuition charge for these courses, as they are sponsored by the United States Office of Education, and the cost is borne by the government. The only cost to the student is for textbooks and supplies. These courses vary in length from 80 to 150 hours, and classes are held at the school in most instances. Other classes are being conducted at the Springfield Armory in cooperation with the Armory apprentice system. Enrollment in these courses during the past two years has totaled over 1000 students. This year an enrollment of approximately 750 is expected. These are some of the tangible efforts that have been made.

There are intangible efforts made by all of us, whether we know it or not, that are of inestimable value. These intangible efforts are personalized by the untiring efforts of our director, Mr. Churchill, together with the cooperation of the members of his staff and faculty, and the loyalty and goodwill of every student of Springfield Northeastern both on the home front and on the fighting front. Certain members of the faculty have offered to conduct their classes as usual without compensation for the duration, if necessary, for example.

We, of the student body, are doing our bit on the home front as best we can. Many of us are working longer hours, and are still endeavoring to continue our courses in business, accounting, and engineering. Some are trying to hold our peacetime regular job and work part time on night jobs in war work. Yes, we are all in this war of aggression. Your effort or my effort, when taken individually, does not amount to such a lot, but multiply what you and I do by one hundred thirty million and we have a united effort that will restore peace and liberty once more to the world.

In this connection Mr. Churchill has been requested to submit a comprehen-

sive article for this issue of the Nor'easter which should be read by all of us.

### Mr. Churchill's Message

In response to a request for a statement on Springfield Northeastern and the war, made just in time to catch this issue of the Nor'easter, the director of the Springfield Division of the University made the following comments: First, that total war means extensive disruption in the programs of every college, and total disruption of some colleges; the times brought on by this war of the Axis aggression will be especially hard upon the academic institutions which can least conveniently adapt themselves to training for war needs; and it will be very hard upon institutions which have made possible the opportunity of rigorous college education through evening recitations even if, as is frequently the case, their curricular offerings such as those in science and business are rather invaluable to the technical and business demands of gigantic total war. This last affects Springfield Northeastern very seriously as is reflected by another article on registration appearing elsewhere in the Nor'easter.

What we offer is of marked value in meeting the demands that will come in business and industry in the reconstruction period after the war. It is equally desirable in terms of prosecution of the war itself. And this last is the basic reason for the great losses that have come to us in the withdrawal of students since the days of Pearl Harbor. Prior to that we had lost as heavy a quota of students as any college or university as a result of the patriotic impulse to enlist in our growing armed forces against a possible, if not then probable to everyone, day of conflict. Further, we had in our student body a sizable number of reserve officers who left early. Training here had helped both groups to serve in our armed forces with efficiency. After Pearl Harbor came a growing exodus caused not only by the increases in the numbers going into military service, but, because of the same training which helped there, even great-

er numbers were found to be invaluable in the increased tempo of industry on a sixty to seventy-hour week, instead of thirty to forty and the like previously, a combination which for many made prosecution of their college work an impossibility.

With the present academic year we found this further reflected in the almost unheard of circumstance of qualified upperclassmen failing to return. Many of these, along with men who would have been freshmen here, were going in increasing numbers to military service; others who had managed to finish last year despite their heavily increased occupational load did not feel equal to it this year. As a result we are now carrying on all of the regular curricula of last year, except for a limited number of law school courses, but with an enrollment only slightly in excess of half as great. However there has been no sacrifice of what one considers proper requirements in connection with honorable college education. Also despite our lack of income from endowment resources or legislative grants out of taxes, we anticipate serving to the end of this aggression war and after. It unquestionably will call for loyal interest and effort on the part of students, alumni, and friends of Springfield Northeastern, but the director is sure we are not too seriously vulnerable.

Thoughts based upon the total war situation were largely responsible for the message passed on to freshmen and other undergraduates in connection with the recent freshmen reception. Some statements from it seem pertinent.

The director stated that these are times that try the hearts of men, times fraught with difficult problems, recurring unexpected situations, labor multiplied to the nth degree, but from this he drew the moral that it makes it all the more important that we enjoy such social occasions as wisdom, time, and strength permit.

He mentioned recreation as needed, but as another imperative his message stated

we must build our knowledge week by week, day by day, especially in business and technical lore, and keep at it up to the minute when the exigencies of war may call us elsewhere.

Aside from preceding comments, he referred to the war training courses conducted by the College of Engineering of the University in the Springfield area through the agency of this division of the University as being our immediate, extensive, thoughtful, and rather unheralded, because not a part of our regular work, special contribution to emergency war needs to which the government requested that the colleges and universities of the country, originally restricted to those with engineering connections, should address themselves. Springfield Northeastern has cooperated from the start on this, last year and the year before having handled some over one thousand students, and probably will handle some eight hundred more before this year is through. These figures are separate from any that appear elsewhere upon our registration.

A further reference was made by him to the one hundred fifty to two hundred alumni, undergraduates and faculty members, now known to be in the armed services who are carrying not only their academic talents but the full measure of life's devotion into the service of their country now.

He ended by hoping that, aside from doing their occupational duties loyally and well, everyone would make the most of his few minutes for wholesome recreation, never think of dropping his regular program of academic studies as long as it was humanly possible to continue, and added that we should have faith in the eternal and in ourselves and go forward unafraid.

## Enrollment Drops

By Wallace M. Scott

Enrollment at Northeastern for the current year has dropped to less than 60% of the total enrollment last year. The number of students attending the University last year was the largest in the his-

tory of the school. In the School of Business alone 511 students were enrolled. This year in the business school there are 294 students.

In the School of Law, now closed, 50 students were enrolled last year, pursuing a course of study that led to a degree. This, based on last year's figures, would account for a drop of about 50 in the total enrollment. The 511 figure includes only business students, and from this figure, approximately 121 students are now serving in the armed forces of this country.

Let us look at the decrease in each class. The first year, or Freshman class, had 177 students enrolled last year. This year there are only 90 students. There is a drop in this class of about 50%. The second-year students dropped from a total enrollment last year of 95 to 63 this year, or about 33%. In the third-year group last year 69 students were enrolled, and this year only 45 are pursuing the prescribed course. There were 46 students in the fourth-year group, and also in the fifth-year group, last year. This year finds only 21 and 17 students enrolled, or a drop of over 50%. The seniors number 3 students more this year than last. There were 21 last year. The unclassified student enrollment has fallen from 57 students last year, to 34 this year. There is an overall drop of 42% in the total enrollment.

The sharp decrease in total enrollment will have a dire effect on the future of Springfield Northeastern. The enrollment trend at Springfield Northeastern is prevalent in all the other colleges. The only colleges that are not seriously affected are those offering degrees in subjects for which the government needs trained men. These colleges enroll students who hold reserve commissions in the armed forces.

Springfield Northeastern will attempt to offer courses which lead to degrees as long as it can. The Board of Governors is anticipating a large deficit this year, but will stand a loss before they discontinue offering degrees to those who register and take the prescribed courses.



# Springfield Law School Graduates Last Class

By Arnold Becker

A brilliant twenty-three year record of community service ended August 15, 1942, with the graduation of the last class of the Springfield Northeastern Law School. Although this occasion was one of joy for the graduates and their friends, it brought sorrow to the faculty as the university closed its Springfield law school.

The Boston Northeastern day school has for many years wanted to join the "Association of American Law Schools." To be accepted as a member of this association it would have to conform to certain requirements. It would have to drop all its night school branches unless each branch maintained at least three full-time instructors and had a law library of at least fifteen thousand volumes with a full-time librarian.

The Boston division of Northeastern notified all the evening branches that they must close their schools by August 15 unless they could meet the above requirements. This, of course, was prohibitive.

It should be emphasized that the above reasons were responsible for the closing of the evening law school and not any stiffened requirements by the state bar examiners. Our Springfield branch has definitely proved to be a success. Out of two hundred eighty-nine graduates of Springfield Northeastern Law School, almost one half are known to have passed the state bar examination. This is a much higher percentage than the average of all Massachusetts' schools combined. The general average is about twenty-five per cent.

The students and faculty have taken their work very seriously. The success of the school can be attributed, in large measure to two factors: First, to impartial administration whereby the rules relating to attendance, grading, examinations, and scholarship are strictly and impartially enforced; and second, to the

faculty which is made up of men many of whom have graduated from their respective law schools with high honors. All of these men have been pre-eminently successful in the legal profession. The faculty as a whole has been very consistent, having an average service of ten years. The contact of the students with practicing attorneys of broad experience, liberal training, and high ethical and professional standards has proved of inestimable value, and has resulted in the development of a school which has been to the highest degree successful.

In many cases the Springfield branch law school led the Boston mother school instead of the converse. Springfield was the first to admit women students, and the first to start the five-year law course instead of the four-year program required by the state.

Springfield tried to modify the new stringencies laid down by the university. The best bargain they could strike was to see the students through who were in their final year or who had only one year to go. It was finally agreed to give an intensive course during the hot summer days. Seventeen sessions were abbreviated to six sessions of two and one-half hours through to August 15. This remarkable program could not have been accomplished had it not been for the unselfish enthusiasm of the faculty. If any other student of lower law classes wanted to continue, his individual case would be considered. In one case, a student is being helped through school by attending Hartford's law school through the help of the Springfield branch. The effort to see every possible student through may well be lauded.

It has been suggested that Springfield may have the good fortune of another evening law school under its own charter. This we all sincerely hope may not be impossible after the war.

## Pi Tau Kappa

By Edward Hachadourian

### Elects Officers and Plans Program

Delta Chapter's organization meeting was held on June 6. After a supper served in the quaint Storowton manner, the thirty members present proceeded to elect officers for the next year.

David A. Duncan was chosen president; Norman Ferguson, vice-president; Robert D. Jahn, secretary; Fred L. Schrade, treasurer; Charles D. Dinnie, historian; Harley B. Goodrich, chaplain; Harley B. Goodrich, Alfred MacLennan, and Ernest A. Carlson, executive committee. The Board of Governors is Alfred MacLennan, Stewart McClenaghan, Ernest A. Swanson, and Karl A. Vester.

The program for the coming year was announced, including such important events as several business and initiation meetings, a Christmas party, a birthday party, and a formal dance.

Dean Rice entertained the group by showing motion pictures in colors of some of his hunting and fishing trips.

### Delta Doings

Borrowing a phrase from Red Skelton, I might say that "They dood it." At any rate, some of our lads and lassies did their bit to change our one hundred thirty million to one hundred thirty million and one, two, three, etc. One hears that that long-legged bird with the pointed beak deposited at Erving and Doris Willard's a cherub lassie by the name of Mary Lane. Proud Erving gives May 25 as the eventful date. Not to be outdone, but not outdoing Erving was the feat of Norm and Mrs. Ferguson in presenting for approval, and getting it, Miss Norma Irene. How about the stogies, boys?

It would seem that Danny Boy Cupid also had his inning, by batting in ten couples and "ticing" the score. What an inning!

He started off with Joe Bickley and Alice Witham, who said "I will" on July 4. For August we have Ev Faulkner and Gertrude Mellen, Lieut. Jack

Hamerick and L. Beverly Roosa, Sailor Bob Day and Lois Kreiger, and Soldier Don Ferguson and Dorothy Saleeby. September added three: Ensign Carroll McQueen and Elizabeth Leonard, Gordon "Ski" Chandler and Ruth Brown, and Wallace Graves and Dorothy Hunt. October gave us two hitchings; Bob Lambert and Ruth Butcher, and Morey Stearns and Cleo Barnes.

Here's a bit on the wind'ard side. Builder Ray Lester turned seaman and joined the Coast Guard Auxiliary. He patriotically and faithfully patrols the Massachusetts coast every week end. This is quite in keeping with Ray's tastes, for he is considered one of the best powerboat men in these parts, having spent many of his summers cruising along the New England coast in his own power and sail boat, the "Merrilyn."

### Delta's President Speaks

In his message to the fraternity in regard to the war and its effects on fraternal organizations, Delta's president, Dave Duncan, said, "In years gone by we never thought the inhuman desires of a certain German paperhanger or the backstabbing acts of the Japanese war lords would affect the life of our fraternity. These fiends have forced us into a fight which their people will not forget for generations to come. Any American is ready and willing to fight to preserve the American way of life, and and for the right to belong to and freely take part in fraternal activities."

### First Business Meeting

Thirty-six of Delta's brothers attended the first business meeting of the 1942-43 season at Trinity Church on November 14. The dinner was good and the main speaker, Brother Irving C. Jacobs, newly appointed export manager, in charge of foreign operations for the Gilbert and Barker Manufacturing Company, was even better. We were indeed fortunate to have among us a man who was capable of picturing to us the conditions and the way of life of the people who inhabit the most critical war areas, the South Pacific and the Far East. Irving

for thirteen years conducted business in every important place in the area, and in some not so important. He laid before us the story of his many exciting adventures from the time he left San Francisco in 1929 until he returned to our shores in March, 1942. From San Francisco to Honolulu, then to Fiji Islands we journeyed as he told the story of the then peaceful and enchanting Pacific. Now on to New Zealand, and to Sidney, Australia, where his base of operations was to be. He showed us the backyards of the Fiji Islands, New Zealand, Australia, Java, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, and one place where we'd all like to go, Japan.

Mr. Jacobs spoke of Australia as being highly industrialized. Because of the war, industry there has received a further sharp stimulus. He also believes that Australia is to be looked to in the future as a bigger force in world affairs than heretofore. Because of the war, it is looking to the United States for help and guidance, and in the future will be a close friend of ours.

## Epsilon Phi Sigma

By Kenneth Kiefer

The 1942 season for Epsilon Phi Sigma's activities seems to be destined to follow the trend of times and become a busy and entertaining one. October 9 was election night for the fraternity and it was found that a good share of former officers had been lost to the armed services or war work. However, the following worthy replacements have been made, who to date seem capable in handling the extra burden: Everett M. Malerba, Exalted Grand Knight; Eugene Jenness, Knight of Oath; George Lacoski, Knight of Quill; Fred Burns, Knight of the Exchequer; and Alfred Kuhn, Knight of the Lock and Key.

Edmond McNamara, chairman of the membership committee, revealed the fact that a group of six have been found acceptable as candidates for membership in this steadily growing fraternity. This group consists of Thomas A. Buckley,

Alvin Bukowick, Paul Henry, Jr., Kazimer F. Kapolka, Angelo M. Lacivita, Harold B. Loux.

These candidates had a chance to see the good times offered by the fraternity and to get acquainted at the Get-Together dance of November 19 at the French Club on Chestnut Street.

The candidates were initiated at the Initiation Banquet of November 28 where the apt Mr. Eugene Reilly presided as chairman of the ritual. As the originator of the fraternity emblem, State Senator Ralph Clappitt was the speaker.

## Sigma Nu Upsilon

By Jane Kusnierz

Twenty-four girls are attending school this year, thirteen of whom are new students. Because of the small number of women students who attend Northeastern, it is well to have the girls well acquainted with one another. To promote this fellowship, the Sorority, to which all women students may belong, has held many social functions, the most recent of which was a Halloween party, combined with an informal freshman reception at the home of Mrs. Violet Vester, alumna of Northeastern. Pumpkins, cornstalks, and appropriate decorations about the house contributed to the atmosphere of harvest time.

Mrs. Vester entertained the girls with several games. With hands behind their backs, five stooges performed the ritual of eating blueberry pie, much to the amusement of those fortunates who had the pleasure of watching. Dunking for apples proved to be an effective method of cleansing faces with the maximum of effort.

A short review of the history and original formation of Sigma Nu Upsilon was given by Betty Eason. Attractive refreshments were served and disposed of in a very short time.

On Sunday, May 31, the annual Senior Tea was held at the home of Mayre Coulter in Longmeadow. At this meeting the seniors were presented with initialed bill-



folds. A delicious buffet lunch was served to the thirteen girls who attended.

Martha Davis, whose hobby is motion pictures, took pictures of the girls as they strolled about the lawn.

On August 18, Martha Davis invited the sorority to her home to christen her new outdoor fireplace. And christen it we did. Hot dogs and hamburgers were the favorites of the day, with corn on the cob running a close second. Also in the running were tomatoes, potato chips, punch, hot coffee, cake, cookies, and peaches.

When we could eat no more, we went into Martha's house to view the motion pictures she took at the Senior Tea. The pictures of the potential movie stars were quite good, being all in colors. Some girls were surprised to see themselves displaying their painted stockings. Martha also showed us pictures which she took at Forest Park, during graduation, and on several trips which she has taken.

The party broke up about 9.15 because we wanted to view more clearly the moon eclipse that evening.

A meeting was called September 21 by Betty Easson at her home which turned out to be a surprise party for Mrs. Katherine Casey Moriarty, an alumna of Northeastern. Mrs. Moriarty was presented with a beautiful dinner cloth and napkins, in honor of her recent marriage.

About twenty-six girls were present at this party, many of whom were alumnae.

Since most of the girls in this gathering hadn't met in some time, almost the entire evening was spent reviewing acquaintances. A few entertaining games were played and a delicious buffet lunch was served.

## Student Council

By Dave Tilden, '42

The council is again in full swing. I wonder how many of you realize the hard work involved. It requires a lot of planning and execution to put a dance or lecture across, or to settle a complaint. Let's

give them our appreciation by getting better acquainted with the Council.

Norman Ferguson has been elected vice-president in place of Ben Astley, who had to retire because of pressure of work. I know what long hours can do to one—ask my wife; the porch screens are still up.

Now, now, fellows! Let's put our cigarette butts in a receptacle. Take a look at the floors after class. We want you to smoke, of course, but—so here's for the next box: the Student Council should appropriate funds for some boxes placed along the corridors!

Yes, let's hear more suggestions, get it off your chests. Anything wrong—something to be done—just drop a note in the suggestion box in Mr. Bowen's office. You'll be surprised at the quick results.

Say, do you know who were elected to the council as your representatives? Neither do I. Why? Not enough publicity. Let's have the eighteen members' names placarded on the bulletin board, with the six elected by the students checked. And then plan ahead for more elections next spring.

Work is being put in on something of the nature of a scroll, a sort of honor roll for the boys in the service. Look on the bulletin board. You'll see many of your old friends on the list. But a framed scroll would look very much better.

You'll hear soon about a good lecture. Watch for it, and don't miss it!

Keep in mind, the next dinner dance, always held on the first Saturday after Easter.

How about another Inter-Frat-Sorority-Council Dance? The one held last year was a huge success. If the Freshman Dance just held was successful, we surely can put this one over! I don't have to tell you what a good time was had by all of you who attended the Freshman Dance. There has never been any N. U. Dance that was dull.

With the able leadership of William Sleith, Norman Ferguson, and Katherine Porter, the Council looks forward to a big year.



## Dean's List

Students who maintain a scholarship average of 80% or better for the school year and who are candidates for a degree are eligible for the Dean's List provided they pursue a program of not less than fifteen semester hours. During the year 1941-1942 the following students in Springfield met the requirements for the Dean's List:

### Senior Class

\*Thaddeus J. Drewniak, \*Stanley J. Kuta, \*Ruth M. Moore, \*John F. Sullivan, Jr., Edmund A. Szymczyk, \*James H. Toner.

### Junior Class

\*Paul E. Allain, Joseph B. Bickley, \*Walter E. Faulkner, Jr., \*John P. Galimberti, \*Stanley P. Lis, Barnett M. Meyers, Roy E. Parent, \*Alphonse H. Wilhelm.

### Upper Middler Class

Lloyd E. Jones, Edwin C. Kallmeyer, William H. Sleith.

### Lower Middler Class

\*Irvin G. Duclos, Albert J. Dudzik, Jr., Gaylord S. Hockenberry, \*William T. James, \*Edmond W. McNamara, \*Edward H. Quigley, \*Roger J. Sullivan, Paul C. Theilig, \*Frederick L. Warneke.

### Sophomore Class

\*Gilbert E. Barker, Richard C. Blackburn, \*Louis A. Casinghino, Louis T. Cormier, Charles D. Dinnie, \*Eileen P. Griffin, \*Paking Ng.

### Freshman Class

Anna Ambrozoits, Richard J. Benoit, Stanley J. Blanchard, Albert E. Bolduc, Milton E. Bouchard, John F. Brega, Thomas A. Buckley, Charles L. Bucuvalas, Michael J. Ciolek, John A. Colby, Sidney M. Cooley, Wallace F. Farrell, Donald A. Ferguson, Jacob S. Herzenberg, Perry J. Judelson, Edward T. Kennedy, Angelo M. Lacivita, Louis J. Levinson, Sigmund J. Ligenza, Harry Norkin, George D. Robinson, Jr., Carl G. Schmidt, Zohrab Y. Setian, Morton A. Slavin, Francis J. Stipek, Norman G. Totten, Edwin E. Vincent, J. Marshall Waite.

\* Also on 1940-41 list.

## Two Floors In The Y

By Barnett Meyers

When I entered the doors of Northeastern University in the fall of 1937 my feelings were a bit dismayed. My outlook on the amount of education I would acquire was little better. How else could I feel? The entire school took up but two floors of a small section of the Y. M. C. A. building. The average classroom was not much larger than the living room of an ordinary house. The instructors looked to be plain lawyers, accountants, or business men. When I found out that in reality they were just lawyers, accountants, or business men, I was further dismayed.

I soon changed. The instructors knew what I wanted to know and what they wanted to teach me. I soon found out that classrooms do not make a college nor do they make any difference in the amount of knowledge learned. It is the instructors. These lawyers, accountants, and business men, who must solve every day in their daily work the problems they teach in Northeastern at night, know their subjects from experience and not theoretically from a text book. This difference between Northeastern instructors and most other teachers is readily apparent.

I also learned that large buildings do not necessarily mean that a school is of a high academic standard. When I talk to a student or even a graduate of some large accounting college I find that I have learned as much, and in many cases more, about accounting, in the two floors in the Y. M. C. A. building, than they have in their impressive buildings.

I am not writing this in order to make a hit with any of the instructors. I am writing it because I am proud to answer when someone asks me what kind of a school Northeastern University is, where it is and how big it is, that it is just a small place that occupies two floors in a section of the Y. M. C. A. building.

## N. U. Instructors

The students of Northeastern University School of Business are fortunate in having instructors who can impart knowledge of business theory both from the text book and from a knowledge of practical business from experience.

In this and in latter issues the Newsletter will present brief sketches of the instructors who are new to us this year.

### Mr. Halchmand S. Putnam

One such instructor is Haldimand S. Putnam, who joined the faculty this year to teach accounting subjects.

He graduated from Springfield Technical High School in 1925. Mr. Putnam entered Syracuse University where he majored in accounting and business courses and received his B.S. degree in 1929.

Scovell, Wellington Company of Springfield, employed him after he graduated and he has remained with them becoming one of their Senior Accountants.

Mr. Putnam is married and lives at 18 Fenwick Street.

### Mr. Gustav H. Koch

A successful instructor in the School of Engineering at Northeastern University must know his subject well and be capable of teaching it to his class.

Gustav H. Koch qualified last year when he stepped in at the middle of the school year and brought the Strength of Materials class to a successful close in June.

It is easier to understand how he did it after you read more about him. Mr. Koch graduated from Cortland High School in Cortland, New York, where he won the state scholarship. He attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and earned his Master Engineer Degree.

The Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company employed him in 1923 to work at its plant in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He resigned in 1931 and went to work as supervisor of the welding de-

partment at the Mullins Manufacturing Company in Salem, Ohio.

He is now with Westinghouse, having returned in 1933, and is at their Springfield plant.

Teaching is not new to Mr. Koch, as he taught in the Westinghouse Technical Night School during his years at Pittsburgh.

He is a member of Sigma Xi fraternity and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Mr. Koch and his family live at 1570 Plumtree Road.

### Mr. Harry H. Kenney

One of the new instructors at Northeastern University this year is Mr. Harry H. Kenney who resides at 196 Central Street. Mr. Kenney, who was educated at New York University and Northeastern University, worked for Scovell Wellington in New York for some time prior to his marriage. Later he moved to Springfield where he continued to work for Scovell Wellington here for 19 years. Mr. Kenney, sent out to install a new accounting system at the Union Trust Company, was offered a position with this company, which he accepted. He is employed by them at the present time in the position of Assistant Trust Officer. Other offices he holds are Assistant Treasurer of the Red Cross, Assistant Treasurer of Family Welfare, President of Springfield Life Insurance and Trust Council, President of Springfield Executive Association, and Treasurer of American Youth Hostel.

Mr. Kenney dabbles a bit in photography in his spare time, but his greatest interest lies in a little farm which he owns in Buckland, Mass. This is a town, because of its size, through which you can pass without having had any formal introduction.

It would seem that Mr. Kenney is quite capable of handling any accounting position which he may teach; but at the present he is teaching Accounting 15, System Building, as he has devoted many of his later years to the selling of new accounting system work.

# Frosh Reception

By Ernest Hjelm

Northeastern has added to its roster the class of 1948. There are always a number of questions that the faculty, the student body, and the freshmen ask—How many of these new students will finish their courses? How many will fall by the wayside? How many will be leaders? In what fields will they be serving? Where will they be located?

The annual freshman reception took place at the Trinity Community Hall, Saturday, November 7. Decorations were appropriate to the harvest season. There was a very congenial group of about two hundred which included representatives from each class.

Everyone commented on the splendid job the committee had done in its selection of the band, Ray Sparrow's orchestra, its choice of a hall, and its selection of the refreshments, which were ample in quality and in volume.

Mr. Errol L. Buker, registrar, who incidentally was the only one present representing the faculty, extended a cordial welcome to all the freshmen. He mentioned that it was the only social function of the year when all students could meet one another. He expressed his gratification at the large number that had turned out.

A pep talk was given by Paul Allain, '43. From a fellow student's point of view, he extended a warm welcome to the enthusiastic and ambitious freshmen.

The receiving line included Mr. and Mrs. Buker, and members of the Student Council and their guests. They were Mr. William Sleith, president, Miss Iona O'Rourke, Mr. Edward Hachadourian, Miss Helen Yelinek, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Allain, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ferguson.

College spirit prevailed throughout the entire evening with a certain degree of hazing which to other colleges would be considered somewhat moderate.

Director John D. Churchill was unable to be present, but he sent an inspiring

message which was read by William Sleith. Mr. Churchill told us his personal feelings of these war times. He complimented and encouraged the freshmen as well as the upperclassmen on their determination to further their education during this emergency. He urged that they continue to prepare themselves for the future through study.

# School Life In Sweden

By Nils Hakanson

The greatest and most dangerous enemy of our democracy is our indifference towards our free institutions. This is especially noticeable in the attitude of our American youth towards our public schools.

The excellent education offered by our public schools is taken for granted by our youth because they do not seem to realize that such an education has not been so readily available to every generation in this country and that even today there are many countries where only the most well-to-do people can afford the equivalent of a high school education. I am sure that if every American student had the opportunity, as I did, to compare his educational opportunities with those of boys and girls of other countries he would be more appreciative of his schools and consequently derive a greater benefit from them.

When leaving Sweden, at the age of eleven, I had completed all but one year of the public schooling available in many parts of the country. There were other sections, however, where two years of what was called "Continuation School" had been added and was required of all students. This meant that at the very most I had but three years left of public school. Coming to this country I was delighted to find that instead of three more years of public school I had seven.

It is true that at the end of the six years of school the Swedish student has studied far more advanced subjects than has the American student at the end of the sixth grade. However, I found,



and others with me, that at such an early age my mind was not enough developed to grasp and retain the knowledge that was crammed into it by the instructors. I can remember doing problems in arithmetic in the fifth grade in Sweden that I had in the eighth grade in this country and problems in geometry and experiments in physics that I had again during my first year of high school. At that time I learned that there were many phases of these subjects that because of the limited time we never touched upon in the Swedish schools.

My seven years of study in the public schools of this country were inspired by a deep appreciation for the opportunities presented to me. It is this appreciation of our free institutions that will make us willing to protect them even with our lives against those who threaten them.

## The Will To Win

By Stanley P. Lis

The Will to Win, like most concepts with such high emotional content, is very difficult to define. It is a term like Liberty and Freedom which we use every day and yet have no precise idea of what it means. Perhaps by a careful analysis of one aspect of the term, we may help to clarify some of the fuzzy thinking on the subject.

To most of us, the term connotes merely a vague feeling of patriotism, much like that experienced in watching a military parade or attending a patriotic demonstration. This, however, is far from the true meaning. The Will to Win is not a matter of emotion, but of thought, and cold determination, and action.

Moralists tell us that in willing a more or less remote end, such as victory in a war, we must also will all the intermediate means necessary to achieve that end. And in that lies the crux of this discussion.

The trouble with most of us is that, while we desire to win, we think that that is all that is necessary for us to do, and that once we have felt strongly enough about the subject, we have done

our duty and can forget about it. But, when we have reached that point we have not yet begun. We have not yet begun because the Will to Win involves the accomplishment of means to achieve an end. This should mean something very definite to us—and it does. It means that we here at Northeastern University must will to do every task well because every task that we have to do, every item of knowledge which we can assimilate, every skill which we can acquire, is a link in the chain of means by which we shall achieve eventual victory.

In this interpretation of the term, the Will to Win is not something that might be desirable to have—it is something that we as Americans have a positive duty to cherish. It is only in this light that we shall see our role in this war in the proper perspective. It is only by this logically determined will which results in purposeful action, and not by a vague sentimentalism, that we shall be able to do our part effectively.

## Council Speakers

In sponsoring the speaker program for this year, the Student Council is selecting speakers in our own community who have something interesting to say about the war or our every day living. These outstanding men have agreed to take time to meet with us. It is up to us to show our appreciation.

Chief Herbert C. Root of the Springfield Fire Department opened the series on Tuesday, November 24, with a very fine talk on the Fire Department and its importance in the defense of the city in any emergency, be it explosion, fire, or "Blitz."

Chief Root described Fire Department activities in the past and explained in some detail the basic principles which apply to its share in civilian defense.

The talk was followed by a discussion period in which Chief Root answered questions and clarified points which were raised by the audience.

Northeastern is grateful to Chief Root for a very pleasant and profitable hour.



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"The glory of America goes deeper than all the tinsel, goes deeper than the sound of guns and the clash of sabers; it goes down to the very foundations of those things that have made the spirit of man free and happy and content" ... Woodrow Wilson

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## Jenness Heads Seniors

The seniors have completed a class organization and elected officers. Eugene F. Jenness was elected president, Edward A. Hachadourian vice-president, and Stanley P. Lis secretary-treasurer.

A class meeting was held March 5 at which time the president made the following appointments: Chairman of cap and gown committee, Lloyd E. Jones; chairman of class day committee, C. Kirk Enzor; chairman of class gift committee, Roy E. Parent; chairman of yearbook and picture committee, Kasimir Kapalka; chairman of class publicity committee, Edward A. Hachadourian.

Gerald T. Teehan was elected class orator; David E. Tilden, class poet; Samuel F. Svitenko, class prophet; and Ralph S. Warner, class historian.

An extensive program has been planned for Commencement Week which begins June 6.

## Miss Porter a WAAC

By Edith Rowley

Katherine Porter of 228 Cochran Street, Chicopee Falls, was given orders on March 2 to become effective March 8 to report to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, where she will be a member of the WAAC. Katherine, who entered Northeastern University in September, 1940, was graduated from Berkshire Business College, Pittsfield. For two years, Katherine has been on the Student Council in the capacity of secretary, and a member of Sigma Nu Upsilon. She was recently appointed editor of the Nor'easter.

Engaged in war work previous to her enlistment, Katherine has been working at the Springfield Ordnance as secretary to the chief of the Gauge Laboratory.

When asked why she was joining the WAAC, Katherine said she loves to travel and feels she wants to be doing more for her country. "I see a definite need for women to relieve men—not only the

men who are armed, but those who are valuable to industry as much as possible. I hope to have the opportunity by going in now to work for a commission. I realize that I may not get it, but I am going to try anyway."

Katherine believes that by joining the WAAC she will learn to be a little more self-sufficient, but dreads getting up early in the morning. She also is worried about taking orders, but knows she will obey them whether she likes them or not.

On the whole Katherine is sure she will not regret the action she has taken, and all at Northeastern University join us in saying, "More power to you, Katherine."

## War Hits Enrollment

By Dana A. Ham

The following tables indicate the effect of the war emergency on Springfield Northeastern. The first tabulation shows a comparison between the enrollment now and a year ago, including the now defunct law school. The second table shows the trend in the School of Business since registration was completed last fall.

### Northeastern University—Springfield Division—Including Law School Enrollment February 25, 1942-43

	Feb. 25 Feb. 25		
	1943	1942	Decrease
Pre-college .....	43	64	21
Freshman .....	49	120	71
Sophomore .....	35	78	43
Lower middler .....	30	48	18
Upper middler .....	14	51	37
Junior .....	11	27	16
Senior .....	20	15	5*
Unclassified .....	30	49	19
Law students .....	0	38	38
	232	490	258
Less duplicates .....	8	17	9
Total enrollment .....	224	473	249

\* Increase

This tabulation indicates a decrease of 53% in the total enrollment of the Springfield division between February 25, 1942, and February 25, 1943.

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**Northeastern University—Springfield**  
**Division—School of Business**  
**Enrollment Oct. 25, 1942, Feb. 25, 1943**

	Feb. 25 1943	Oct. 25 1942	Decrease
Freshman .....	49	90	41
Sophomore .....	35	63	28
Lower middler .....	30	45	15
Upper middler .....	14	21	7
Junior .....	11	17	6
Senior .....	20	24	4
Unclassified .....	30	34	4

Total enrollment ....189    294    105

These figures indicate a decrease of 36% in the enrollment of the School of Business between October and February.

## Sigma Nu Upsilon

By Jane A Kusnierz  
 SORORITY CREATES  
 ORIGINAL WORK OF ART

On December 20, Eileen Griffin invited the girls of the sorority to a Christmas party at her home. Even though the thermometer was hovering around zero, a good number of girls arrived without too much trouble except one who called and informed us that her car was frozen. Better luck next time, Betty.

A miniature Christmas tree with our gifts beneath it added to the gaiety of the season. After the exclamations upon the opening of the presents, we displayed our talent in designing costumes for clothespin dolls. Mildred Lezinski was awarded a prize for the most beautiful doll and Ann Sullivan the booby prize for the funniest. The results of our efforts were most amazing. After the amusements were over, Eileen served a delicious buffet luncheon.

### ANNUAL INITIATION

Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority held its

twentieth annual initiation banquet at the Hotel Highland, Saturday evening, February 13, at which time five new members were inducted into the sorority. This is one affair everyone looks forward to each year and not even the heavy snowstorm could keep us away.

Eileen Griffin, president, was chairman of arrangements and was assisted by Jane Kusnierz, chairman of the membership committee.

Twenty-two persons enjoyed a delicious roast turkey dinner with all the fixin's. Later the candidates were put to their initiation stunts. Could they take it? But definitely!

Those initiated are:

Chestra E. Bogdanowicz—Accounting. Chestra is employed at the Pro-Phy-Lac-Tic Brush Company as clerk in the credit department. She was graduated from the Northampton high school and Northampton Commercial College.

Doris A. Guernsey—Accounting. Doris is also employed at the Pro-Phy-Lac-Tic Brush Company as bookkeeper. She was graduated from the Sacred Heart High School and Bay Path Institute.

Natalie E. Ruhe—Accounting. Natalie is with the Springfield Armory and is a clerk in the procurement department. She was graduated from the High School of Commerce and Springfield Civil Service School.

Myrtle P. Hockenberry — Accounting. Myrtle works for Adams and Ruxton Company as bookkeeper and stenographer. She was graduated from Bay Path Institute after receiving her diploma from Classical High School.

Frieda E. Huettner—Accounting. Frieda is employed by the Springfield Street Railway Company in the accounting department. She was graduated from the High School of Commerce.

Two of our freshmen found it impossible to attend the meeting, but plans are being made to have them take the vows

of the sorority at the next business meeting.

We were delightfully surprised to learn that we have two palmists in our sorority. Chestra and Natalie couldn't tear themselves away from the girls until they had related each girl's future to her.

#### NEW OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the Sigma Nu Upsilon held February 25 in the Women's Club Room, Jane Kusnierz, '46 (Accounting) was elected president for the year 1943-44. Natalie Ruhe '48 (Accounting) is our new vice-president. The secretary is Doris Guernsey, '48 (Accounting), and Chestra Bogdanowicz, '48, (Accounting) is the new treasurer.

Sigma Nu Upsilon has as one of its aims the promotion of good fellowship among the women members of Northeastern University. To achieve this, we strive to have at least one social activity a month during the school year.

The report of the year's activities was read by Edith Rowley. Plans were discussed for the coming year and from the looks of things, the sorority is going to have some busy "doings."

## Epsilon Phi Sigma

By Kenneth Kiefer

Epsilon Phi Sigma is spreading out like a drop of oil on troubled waters. Realization of the fact that this Northeastern fraternity has been called to the colors was brought to attention when several of its officials left almost as a body for the armed forces last December. The Army got one president, Everett Malerba, and secretary, George Lacoski. The Navy was satisfied with Edmond McNamara, chairman of the membership committee. Uncle Sam can depend on these active members with the rest of the fraternity brothers in the service to help sweep up Hitler's kitchen. An organization has since been formed to take over the duties for the duration, headed by Alfred Kuhn, president.

The activities for the 1942-43 season have so far been successful, but those of the future will be less spectacular if they are not curtailed altogether. The annual spring dinner dance has been abandoned and it certainly will be missed by those who have attended others. If we follow the trend of post-war plans, we can expect that our best times are yet to come. There are still occasional informal get-togethers at a nearby place where we can get French fries and other refreshments. Those who have attended or anticipate one of these meetings have a certain smile on their faces Friday nights after school.

Miss Eileen P. Griffin was awarded the Epsilon Phi Sigma Sophomore scholarship for 1942. A bronze name plate has been added to the plaque to commemorate this honor.

## Pi Tau Kappa

By Edward Hachadourian

#### Initiation Meeting

Delta's first initiation meeting and what perhaps will be the last for the current year, convened at the Hotel Charles, Saturday evening, January 3. "Old Timers' Night," we called it and that's just what it turned out to be. Upon counting faces at the 6:30 supper hour, all twenty-six of 'em, even this weary scribe could reason that our favorite uncle had snared the young-uns, and shipped 'em off to war.

Ensign John R. Lester, U. S. N. R., at home for a short leave, paid a visit to the dining brothers of Delta, and stayed awhile to feast and chat with the hungry Greeks. It would have been a pleasant sight if all or even a few more of the approximate forty-five New and Old-Timers of Delta who are now serving in the various armed forces of the United States, could have attended the meeting along with Ray. Perhaps we can look



forward to such a meting after the war.

A new Uncle Samuelite is Past President Ernest Swanson, who will be wearing khaki for the duration.

In the absence of President Dave Duncan, who is now working in the Boston Navy Yard, Vice-President Norman Ferguson presided, and outlined a somewhat curtailed program of activity for the remainder of the year. Dave did arrive later on, however, and after the initiation presented the pins to the new members.

#### New Deltaites

Ernest Hjelm, '47, enrolled in the course of management, is a graduate from Classical High School, and is employed by Package Machine Co., as an expeditor and contact man.

John Bromage, '46, graduated from Springfield Technical High School, '39, is employed by Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co., as an engineering draftsman. He is enrolled in the Engineering and Business course.

## Kregeloh Speaks

By Ernest A. Hjelm

The students and some of the members of the faculty were exceedingly fortunate in hearing in Room B-5, Friday evening, January 22, a talk by Mr. Hubert Kregeloh on World Affairs, sponsored by the Student Council. Mr. Kregeloh is a news analyst who broadcasts regularly over WSPR. The views which he presented were his own personal opinions.

He foresaw an underestimated Hitler and believed the people of the German regime were endeavoring to make Hitler into a superman. The plans of the Germans in attacking and invading other countries were all worked out from blueprints. Not all of these ideas and blueprints were Hitler's. Whenever there were any mistakes or set-backs, they could be attributed to the snags in these prints.

Mr. Kregeloh has toured Europe and traveled in Germany where he has spoken

on World Affairs. In one of his speeches, he discussed world events with some of the intellectuals of Germany. They were under the impression that some of the colonies would separate from their mother countries and by so doing receive their independence.

A post-war planning program should be given serious consideration as otherwise we might find ourselves in the same position as we were in after the first World War. The United Nations should make known what they intend to do on post-war activities.

He threw a great deal of light on the subjects of economic imperialism and colonization. He believes that these colonies should have a chance to govern themselves independently. Mr. Wendell Wilkie, after his European mission, believed very strongly in colonial independence. This fact was made public and naturally reflected directly upon Britain. Mr. Kregeloh contends that some colonies couldn't have complete independence for decades. In the meantime, they could continue to be administered and then guided gradually into their independence.

In drafting a peace treaty, it will be necessary to have the fullest cooperation from all the countries involved along with substantial compromises. This can run smoothly only through steady efforts and patience. In order to have world peace, it is important to have all countries in complete agreement. It will necessitate many conferences with the different heads of the countries involved. Peace must be won as well as the war.

As far as our post-war activities are concerned there should be plenty, inasmuch as Americans are inventive, aggressive, and idealistic theorists. Post-war planning is necessary for Americans as well as for other countries. We can't advance in leaps and bounds, but should proceed cautiously for gradual advancement. We should decide on workable solutions one at a time for everyone concerned.

In the open forum, Mr. Kregeloh pointed

out that Russia is in a formidable position for getting what she demands. After the victory in Europe, Russia will be of great assistance to us against Japan through Manchuria. The reason that Russia withheld the launching of a second front is that she was in need of equipment. Her manpower was concentrated in the West against Germany.

The Japanese have a force in Manchuria but have not as yet attacked Russia. This is one of the biggest mysteries of this war.

## Ad-Lib Drive Fails

By Barnett Meyers

A few weeks ago a notice was posted on the bulletin board asking those students who were interested in reviving the Ad-Lib Club to sign their names on the sheet provided for them. The response was truthfully very poor. Only four or five students signed up for membership.

This was not the first attempt to organize such a club. An attempt was made in 1939. The idea of this club was conceived by David Tilden and Dan Graves and was sponsored by the Student Council and Mr. Churchill, as was this latest attempt. The purpose of the club was to get together once a week to discuss any question that was interesting to the members. They would decide among themselves what they wanted to discuss at the succeeding meeting and prepare their pros and cons during the week. It is readily apparent that such a club was of an intellectual nature. The members would undoubtedly learn much from the discussions that would be carried on. Yet, the idea proved unsuccessful at Northeastern.

Could it be possible that Northeastern students did not care to develop their general knowledge? Or, were they incapable of discussing intellectual or any other important topics, because of their limited knowledge? I think not. I am

convinced that Northeastern students are as intelligent and as well-informed as those of any other institution of learning in the world. Their failure to respond to the membership campaign of the Ad-Lib Club is not a proper criterion.

No, the reason for the failure of the Ad-Lib Club to take hold was not lack of interest but the lack of time. Northeastern students work during the day. Many work overtime. Many get up early in the morning to get to work on time. Many live miles from the school. Many must make bus connections in order to get home. All are tired when nine o'clock comes around. If they attended meetings after school they would get home at eleven the earliest and most likely later. You know as well as I do that meetings of this sort become so interesting at times that it is midnight before you know it. This would allow them from five to seven hours' sleep which is obviously not enough for anyone, especially when it is necessary to work overtime, as most of us are doing today.

When normal conditions of employment and transportation return, no doubt Northeastern will have again a vigorous discussion club such as Ad-Lib.

## That Mid-Year Exam

By Ernest A. Hjelm

Nearly every individual organization or industry has had to make many sacrifices and changes in its routine system during this war. The government has predicted having 11,000,000 men in the armed forces by the end of 1943. With the millions of men already serving in order to meet the government's estimated quota, there are many more men to be drafted. It will be necessary to take married men with dependents from non-essential and even from essential industries.

The director and faculty of N. U. realized the acuteness of this draft situation and adopted the two-term system,

which enables the student who passes his mid-year exam to receive full credit for the part of the course just covered. Otherwise, should the student enter the service after the mid-year period, he would lose the credit for the entire course. The adoption of the mid-year program will enable many students, after the war, to resume their studies. This arrangement will not only be a time saver to the student in work for his degree, but a dime saver in his tuition as well. This program has already proved successful, as a number of our fellow students have entered the armed forces since this program was put into effect, with credit for the work they had completed up to the time of their leaving.

The student body greatly appreciates the splendid co-operation of the faculty and directors in adopting this mid-year term arrangement.

## Faculty Facts

MR. ERNEST WIESLE

By Lloyd E. Jones

All knowledge designed to aid in increasing our personal welfare is of little value unless its application is aided by a fair degree of personality development. This truth is becoming more and more apparent as we study the effects that maladjusted leaders have had and are now having in shaping or misshaping our activities. It is necessary therefore, that our training be such that we can not only apply our technical knowledge intelligently, but that we can interpret the mental characteristics that prompt the actions of others. Springfield Northeastern is fortunate in having as an instructor one who has devoted much of his life to this study, Mr. Ernest Wiesle, B.Ph., M.A., B.D., Ph.D., instructor in psychology.

Mr. Wiesle has been the professor of Psychology and Education at Springfield College for the past sixteen years. Contrary to the general concept of a psychol-

ogist he is not a prolific propounder of evolution, but he is human, witty, and skilled in the art of analyzing mental habits and human behavior.

Mr. Wiesle originally trained for the ministry and was for twenty years therein. He also earned for himself, at the University of Chicago, the degrees of Bachelor of Philosophy, Master of Arts, Bachelor of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy. He is greatly interested in local educational and religious activities and active as a speaker and group discussion leader. He is a member of the Progressive Education Association, Eastern Branch of the Psychological Association, Association of American University Professors, and the Religious Education Association.

Not all of Mr. Wiesle's time is applied to the more serious problems of life. You will find him to be an ardent golfer. In addition he is interested in baseball, basketball and football.

His home is at 21 Rupert Street, Springfield.

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MR. CLIFFORD S. CODY

By Edward Hachadourian

We can't say that Mr. Cody is entirely new to our school for his early association with Northeastern was in the winter of '40 when he taught with Mr. Carl Alsing a class of Machine Design for the E. S. M. D. But not until the present year did he become a direct member of the faculty at Springfield Division of Northeastern University, with his appointment to teach the course in Thermodynamics.

When you look at his rangy self and observe his sunny disposition it is not difficult to picture him as a Californian. He attended school in that distant state and he graduated from Los Angeles High School. Yes, he did play football there.

Though California has many fine universities and colleges, Mr. Cody chose Iowa State College where he received his B. S. degree in Mechanical Engineering in '24. He is a member of Phi Gamma



Delta fraternity.

His first job after graduation was with the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Company as assistant combustion engineer at the New Seal Beach (California) Power House. Mr. Cody reports the fact that seals really inhabited that section of the coast. He related how he and a friend succeeded in capturing a live baby seal which they had to feed from a nursing bottle. After keeping it awhile they released it to the sea. During his stay at the New Seal Beach Station he was constantly meeting and working with many Westinghouse steam engineers, from the South Philadelphia works, who were installing and servicing new Westinghouse equipment there. It was quite natural that he should eventually become associated with the Westinghouse Company, which he did in the fall of '26, taking a job at the same South Philadelphia works in the Stoker Engineer department as a development engineer.

The year '26 proved to be an eventful one for Mr. Cody. He not only improved in his job that year but also married his campus sweetheart. Mrs. Cody, who the year before had graduated from Iowa State College with a B. S. degree in Home Economics, quit her high school teaching job to become Mrs. Cody, and came East with her new husband. She had been a member of Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority. She has since become active in civic affairs having been first treasurer, then president of the Samuel Bowles Parent-Teacher association. The Codys have three children: Marlyn, 14; Joan, 8, and William Clifford, 2 months old.

Mr. Cody stayed at the South Philadelphia works until '31, before coming to the East Springfield works of the Westinghouse Company. He was first placed in charge of engineering work on domestic heating equipment. He then transferred to air-conditioning engineering.

Mr. Cody's life hasn't been all work and no play or without adventure. While

working at the Seal Beach power house which is next to San Pedro Harbor, he saw many ships put to sea for distant ports. He naturally developed a longing to sail and see some of those far off places. During the summer of '26 he made several voyages as a "Black Gang" member of various ships' crews, one of which was the "City of Los Angeles," Honolulu being their port of call. He has sailed also from the East Coast and made several trips to Europe. Some of the ports of call were in Germany, England, Ireland, and France. During these several trips aboard the "American Trader," the "President Roosevelt," and other similar ships, he worked as an oiler, water tender, and machinist, and earned a Marine Engineer's license.

After discovering what the mysteries of the sea were he sought new adventure, and found it in the air. He learned to fly at Springfield Airport. Now and then he found time for a round of golf, but these are busy times and there has been little room for this and all other sports, lately.

When asked his impression of Northeastern, Mr. Cody remarked that he was impressed by the tenacity, the outstanding determination, and the distinctive character of the students here. He was especially impressed by those who carry their work and study program through the required six years to get a degree the hard way. He believes that it is easier for a student to get a degree when he can work at school 100 per cent of the time than it is if he must work days and study at night, as we do at Northeastern. In regard to the method of selecting the faculty, Mr. Cody also was in accord. He believes that practicing practical engineers can give to students the new methods of scientific information that they as practicing engineers acquire, along with the supervision of the study of a good text book.

Mr. Cody for some time has been a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.



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## Senior Issue

... dedicated to the three hundred  
thirty-four men and women of Spring-  
field Northeastern who are known to  
be in the service, and to the many others  
of whom we have no record.

## Class of 1943

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## Twenty-Second Commencement

The twenty-second Commencement Week at Springfield Northeastern will begin on Sunday, June 6, with the Baccalaureate Service at the First Church, Court Square, at eleven a.m. Dr. William Elbert McCormack, pastor of the church, will deliver the address.

On Monday, June 7, the Class Day exercises and banquet of the class of 1943 will take place at the Hotel Sheraton, at 6.30 p.m. Other class reunions, particularly of the classes of 1923, 1928, 1933,

and 1938, are also planned.

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of the Methodist Church will be the speaker at the commencement exercises on Wednesday, June 9, at the First Church, Court Square, where the members of the class of 1943 will receive their diplomas.

The Alumni Reunion dinner will be held at the Hotel Kimball on Thursday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m. After the dinner the Alumni Association will hold its annual business meeting.

## Six Win Provisional Appointments

Provisional commencement appointments at Springfield Northeastern include six members of the senior class, chosen for their excellent scholastic records. Two of the six will deliver addresses at the exercises on June 9 at the First Church on Court Square. The men honored by the appointment are Sergeant Edward A. Anderstrom, Eugene F. Jenness, Lloyd E. Jones, Stanley P. Lis, Ralph S. Warner, and Alphonse H. Wilhelm.

Sergeant Anderstrom, who has been in the United States army for two years, is stationed at the Springfield recruiting office. He is a graduate of the High School of Commerce in the class of 1937. For four of the past five years he has been on the dean's list at Northeastern.

Eugene Jenness was graduated from Technical High School in 1923. His name has been on the dean's list for every year in which has been at Northeastern. He served as president of the Student Council in 1940-41, and has been a member of the Council for four years. Gene is president of Epsilon Phi Sigma, and had previously held most of the elective offices in the fraternity. He has served

as secretary of his class during most of its career at Northeastern, and was recently elected its permanent president. He is employed as a supervisor by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Lloyd Jones, a graduate of Suffield, Connecticut, High School, has been on the dean's list four years. His home is at Windsor Locks, Connecticut, where he is employed as estate manager for M. E. Talbot. He is class poet of the class of '43.

Stanley Lis, of Westfield, a graduate in 1936 from the high school of that city, was recently chosen secretary-treasurer of the senior class. He has been on the dean's list each year of his attendance at Northeastern. Stanley is special correspondent for Everybody's Daily, the country's largest Polish newspaper, and is employed by Stanley Home Products, Inc., of Westfield, as an accountant.

Ralph Warner, a graduate of the Springfield Trade School, has been on the dean's list for four years. He is a former member of the Student Council and a member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity.

Ralph is employed as a laboratory technician by the American Bosch Corporation.

Alphonse Wilhelm has also been on the dean's list for each year of his attendance at Northeastern. He is a graduate of Holyoke High School, and is employed by the National Blank Book Company. His home is in South Hadley Falls. He is a member of Pi Tau Kappa fraternity.

## Annual Dinner Dance

The annual dinner dance, sponsored by the Student Council, was held at the Hotel Kimball on Saturday, May 1, with William Sleith, president of the Council, acting as master of ceremonies. The attendance, in view of war conditions, was surprisingly large. The affair was opened by a brief prayer by C. I. Chatto of the faculty.

At the head table with President Sleith were Director John D. Churchill, Registrar Errol L. Buker and Mrs. Buker, Bursar Ralph L. Bowen and Mrs. Bowen, Miss Iona O'Rourke, and two representatives of the Boston Division of the University, Dean William C. White of the School of Engineering, and Dean Russell Whitney of the School of Business.

Each speaker responded to the toastmaster's introduction with brief remarks appropriate to the occasion and to the situation in which Northeastern, in common with all other colleges, finds itself involved by the tightening stringencies of the war emergency. The general tone of the talks was one of courage and determination.

After the speaking was concluded the floor was cleared for dancing to the music of Eddie Abrahamson and his orchestra.

## Jenness, Warner Win 'N'

By Edward A. Hachadourian, '43

To Eugene F. Jenness and to Ralph S. Warner, both of the class of '43, and both to graduate with B.B.A. degrees in engineering and business, went the coveted "N" award for 1943.

Since its inception three years ago the "N" award, symbolic of outstanding service to Northeastern, has offered a fitting climax for Springfield, Northeastern's annual dinner dance. This year was no exception. President of the Student Council William Sleith's announcement of Gene and Ralph as winners of the gold "N" came as a surprise only to the recipients.

Gene, who is in the course in engineering and business, won the award for his three years of outstanding service on the Student Council of which he was a popular and efficient president in 1940-41. He is president of the senior class and also an active member of  $E\Phi\Sigma$  fraternity. Gene, by his counselling encouragement and good advice, is primarily responsible for convincing and injecting into several of the present crop of seniors, the desire to get their reports or theses complete, so that they might graduate with their class this year. Gene, for his excellence as a student, has won a commencement appointment.

Ralph, also in the engineering and business course, won the award for his many loyal services during three years of Student Council membership, and also for his work in  $\Pi\tau\kappa$  fraternity. Ralph has eagerly spent time helping many a less fortunate student to see the light on numerous difficult math or physics problems. His classmates have selected him to write the senior class history. Ralph, for his excellence as a student, has also won a commencement appointment.

For each of the four years that the

"N" has been awarded, the selection committee has looked for degree students who have, during their stay here, made unselfish contributions of outstanding meritorious service to Northeastern. The award was to be primarily for extra-curricular activity and not for high scholastic standing, though this has been taken into consideration.

The "N" selection committee, representing the administration, the faculty, and the student body, is formed by, and has for its chairman, the Student Council president. The members invited to serve on the committee this year with president Bill Sleith are: Director of Springfield Northeastern, Mr. John D. Churchill, Mr. C. I. Chatto and Mr. David H. Brown, members of the faculty, and Miss Eillen Griffin and Mr. Edward A. Hachadourian, from the student body.

The addition of Gene and Ralph to the group of those having previously won the award brings the total up to nine. The honored winners and the year of their award are as follows:

Harley B. Goodrich, 1940; Elizabeth Easson, 1941; Edward A. Hachadourian, 1941; Alice Martha Davis, 1942; Mary K. Foley, 1942; William H. Sleith, 1942; David Tilden, 1942; Eugene F. Jenness, 1943; Ralph S. Warner, 1943.

## N. U. Looks Ahead

"We intend to do the things we ought to do in the way they should be done, war or no war," declared Director John D. Churchill at the annual Student Council dinner May 1. And that remark expresses the attitude of everyone connected with Springfield Northeastern, as the college faces the coming year with greatly decreased enrollment and with consequently lowered income, but with undaunted courage and abiding faith for the future.

Mr. Churchill emphasized the opportunities that Springfield Northeastern has to offer, even to young men who expect soon to be called to the service. He urged those now in college to continue their education as far as they possibly could, not only to accumulate credits which might be of great value to them after the war, but to acquire knowledge which might aid them in their service to their country.

This is sound advice. Even if a student can get only a half year's work, he should not neglect the opportunity to acquire that much of a university education. Even a month in class will give him a beginning that may be of inestimable value to him later. Men and women now enrolled at Northeastern should, of course, plan to go on in the fall, and should also consider recommending the school to those of their friends who are of college caliber and who would profit by the courses offered.

Just how much curtailment or rearrangement of courses will be necessary no one knows at present, but we may be assured that the administration will do everything possible to insure a continuity of education and the presentation of work of the utmost value under the conditions. Every friend of Springfield Northeastern can help to that end by doing his own part, whether as student or instructor, with determination to make every effort count, and with complete confidence that Northeastern will carry on to new heights of service in the years to come.

## Class Gives Lamps

The members of the senior class have voted to improve the lighting situation at school. The class gift is four fluorescent desk lamps for the library. These lamps, which are individually controlled, will be placed on the tables in the library.



From our experience we know that a great deal more studying can be done with better lighting. We hope that our fellow students will take full advantage of the new lights.

The following members of the class were appointed by the class president to serve on the gift committee: Roy Parent, chairman, Fred Burns, Stanley Lis, and Barnett Meyers.

## Class Day June 7

By Kirk Enzor

Even though the class of '43 is graduating at one of the most uncertain and difficult times in the history of our country, we shall not let it "blackout" our spirit for the night. We intend to forget all our cares, worries, trials and tribulations, all the long nights of hard study, and the big job ahead for a few hours during the evening of June 7, 1943. We plan to have all the fun that is in the book—and maybe some that isn't.

Our exercises will be held at the Hotel Sheraton, preceded by a banquet. The management has promised us the best that the OPA will allow. The program is as follows:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Toastmaster                 | Eugene Jenness  |
| 1. Prayer of Thanks         |                 |
| The Banquet                 |                 |
| 2. Class History            | Ralph Warner    |
| 3. Class Oration            | Gerald Teehan   |
| 4. Class Poem               | Lloyd Jones     |
| 5. Class Will, Prophecy     | Samuel Svitenko |
| 6. Presentation of Gift     | Roy Parent      |
| 7. Acceptance               | Mr. Churchill   |
| 8. Address by the President | Eugene Jenness  |

## President's Address

By Eugene Jenness

The class of 1943 can be justly proud of its record. We can look back to our

school years at Northeastern with the thought in mind that we worked together, and that through this we have become better acquainted and have become personal friends.

This has been a period of changes. Changes that caused hardships. Hardships that have shown what we have in us. But such changes are sometimes necessary in order to separate the true metal from the ore. I am proud that so many of you have proved your true worth.

The years we have spent at Springfield Northeastern have been difficult ones. The demands of war have made the job of working in the daytime and studying at night a bigger job. Some of you have spent long hours in defense factories; others have worked over-time in offices. In spite of the extra burden, theses, business readings, and course requirements for graduation have been fulfilled. The members of the graduating class of 1943 are to be congratulated on this achievement.

I express my appreciation, on behalf of the class, to Mr. John D. Churchill, director, the governing board, the administration, and the members of the faculty for their splendid cooperation, consideration, and kindness given us during our years at Springfield Northeastern. It has been through their efforts that we have been able to accomplish the task we had set out to do.

A large number of the members of our class are serving in the various branches of the Armed Forces of our country, with many others certain to go. We know that their call is essential to the well-being of our country. May God bless them. Many of our boys have become officers on the basis of their Northeastern training, and others have received high rank in the Army, Navy, and the Marines.

As I conclude this brief message, I am

forced to call attention to the fact that we in America are "at the cross-roads." Just what the future holds for us, nobody can say. Much uncertainty is in the air. Problems are numerous. In the days ahead there is going to be an increasing demand on the patriotism, energies, resources, and fidelity of all of us. In our minds there should be the thought of just what our Northeastern training has done for each and every one of us. The following questions should constantly be in our minds:

To what extent can others depend on my efforts? Am I giving the best that I have, or am I only filling in because there is a job to be done?

With these thoughts in mind, let us always remember that America wants the best and that on our efforts will depend the outcome of the present conflict.

## Class Poem

By Lloyd Jones

You know—if it were my style  
To shun a little jest  
In refusing to become your poet  
I'd have done my very best,  
But, to me, there comes a time  
When I like to talk in verse,  
And if you'll pardon my vanity  
There are many that do worse.

Now, I'm not going to worry you  
About butterflies and bees,  
Or even about the silvery moon  
On lakes amid the trees—  
But, since I've been requested  
To prepare this form for you—  
From me you must accept it  
Even tho' the mode is new.

Our college days are over,  
At least, we're hoping so,  
Until the sheepskin's in our hands  
We really do not know,  
But, as I am one to gamble

On my luck another day  
I want to leave a message  
For you all to take away.

Now all of you have labored  
Six years, here, more or less,  
And no one is a-doubtin'  
But you've done your very best—  
So do not get discouraged  
If your memory seems to fail  
To recall all the data  
That rained down on you like hail.

The same goes for instructors  
Who might think their job is small  
For one wee thought directed  
Can grow both wide and tall—  
No one can ever measure  
How great ideas may grow,  
'Tis they that build our factories  
Then cities—don't you know.

The world's not built on memory  
But on how and why and where  
To get the information  
To go from here to there,  
And that's the way of progress  
Ahead—not standing still—  
You came here for the knowledge,  
You need now but the will.

So plan your life work wisely,  
Hitch your purpose to a star,  
Ever be a doer,  
You'll go both high and far,  
And do not let it pain you  
If you find you must retreat  
Life's full of dark blind alleys  
And deceiving dead end streets.

And let me say in closing—  
You can do as you think best—  
But, I as one among you  
Take leave here to suggest  
That you continue with your learning  
Follow, if you cannot lead  
Forward on life's journey  
And I'm sure you will succeed.

# Class Will

By Samuel Svitenko

Know All Men by These Presents, that we, the class of 1943, being of sound and disposing mind, do make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament.

1. To the class of 1944, we, as a class, bequeath our halos of scholastic achievement with the firm understanding that they will be worn with the same pride and dignity with which we now wear them.

2. To the meek and mild, Barney Meyers leaves his ability to outtalk and outshout any and all students or instructors.

3. To that student interested in political demagoguery, Stan Lis leaves his widespread knowledge of and his keen insight into civic and public affairs.

4. "Poet laureate" Lloyd Jones leaves behind for the benefit of future North-eastern poets, two volumes of published verses so that those unfortunate souls may be duly discouraged before they become too deeply mired in the swamplands of poetry and prose.

5. To all would-be golfers, Ed Hachadourian passes down his slick technique of swapping golfing instruction for good school marks, (especially in accounting) along with his philosophy of life "that a good putt will always nullify a bad drive."

6. "Corporal" Anderstrom hands down a working knowledge (gained under actual battle conditions) of when to advance and how to make a strategic retreat or a hasty withdrawal when under the fire of an irate instructor.

7. To the future "Dapper Dans," Gerry Teehan leaves his timely edition of "What the Well-Dressed Man Should Wear." This volume covers the type of suit to be worn at different classes with a color chart showing the various match-

ing combinations.

8. David Duncan leaves behind all of his beautiful sentiments on "early spring" to that student who can transform those beautiful sentiments into poetic reality.

9. To any student interested, Ralph Warner will gladly deliver a diagram of the "Warner Double-Wingback System" of attaining high grades in Machine Design, a system which he claims is infallible and refuses to patent, since he wishes it to be within the reach of even the poorest student.

10. Michael Zwarycz, the strong, silent Ludlowite, relinquishes his knack of sitting quietly at the back of the room and then beating out all the noisy cusses up front when the final grades are handed out.

11. A cheery disposition and a friendly smile are willed by Fred Burns to any student who feels the need for such characteristics but has unfortunately been slighted by nature in these respects.

12. To all students making the annual pilgrimage to Mr. Hutchinson's summer camp on Washington Mountain, Ken Kiefer transfers an illustrated map and guide of Mount Washington and the surrounding country, along with a booklet of songs which are sung after supper around the old campfire.

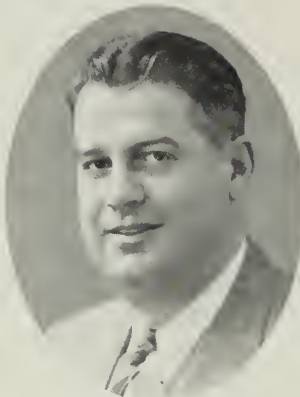
13. Gene Jenness leaves a large pair of shoes to be filled by the student possessing the following traits: The ability to make public speeches with grace and serenity, the capability of shouldering the student council and class presidencies, and last but not least a large, bulky framework. If no one steps into these shoes within six months, Gene reserves the right to reclaim said shoes unless he can obtain shoe ration coupon No. 18 in the meantime.

14. If any one is interested, Kirk Enzor will oblige by demonstrating how one goes about nonchalantly taking all scholastic hurdles with that unruffled ex-

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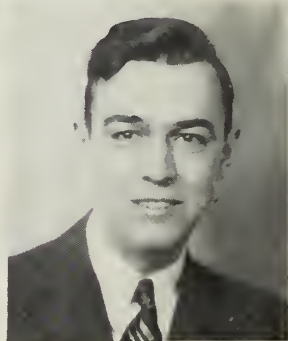
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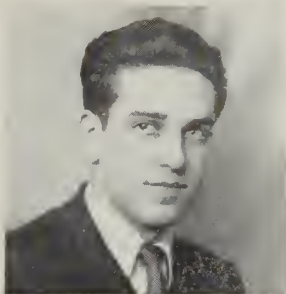


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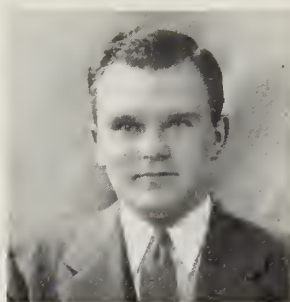


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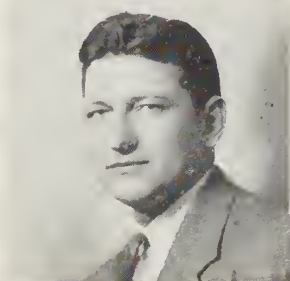
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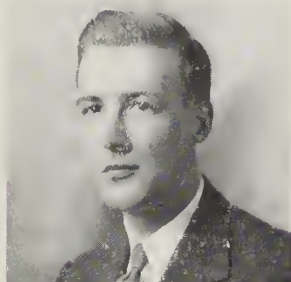
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15. Sid Rasanen leaves behind a small basketful of theory mixed with an equal amount of practical experience in all matters pertaining to business administration and will gladly part with same for a slight remuneration.

16. "Last Minute" Raverta forwards his knack of procrastination coupled with his ability to get in just under the wire in all matters pertaining to school work.

17. Frank Kapalka hands down his version of how the model student should behave both in the classroom and off the campus.

18. To all handsome students who are continually beset by women, Wally Scott will most gladly demonstrate the one-arm thrust, which holds them off at arm's length without wounding their sensitive feelings.

19. Roy Parent wills his ability to tread on all instructors' toes and get away with it, to all students who have the nerve to try it.

20. Al Wilhelm bequeaths his wide range and depth of tone in repeating "1-2-34,5-678," which has been duly recorded for the benefit of all future public-speaking students. Al refuses to capitalize on this natural gift of his, and a transcription may be had of this recording, free on request.

In Witness Whereof, we hereunto set our hands this eighth day of June, 1943.

Class of the Year of Our Lord 1943

## Class History

Squadron '43, Springfield Northeastern, now engaged in final classroom action, hereby issues a report of operations to date.

SEPTEMBER, 1932:

Through several Septembers, volunteers enlisted, and formally entered the Chestnut Street Camp. As a preliminary test of

memory and endurance, each man was pitted against a triplicate registration blank in the camp office. Before recovering from writer's camp, the private was put through the dispensary across the hall, to be inoculated for Matriculation, Tuition, Books and Student Activities. With programs carefully mapped out by Commander-in-Chief Churchill and staff, rookies separated into groups to receive training in accounting, management, and engineering and business. A few men, found suffering from educational malnutrition, were temporarily assigned to pre-college boot training. The morale of the men was still high, for they hadn't as yet realized how much the training program would conflict with their lady friends. SEPTEMBER, 1932? (One Year Later)

The end of maneuvers in May was a pleasure which now fades. The men who come back to face another year, however, are more seasoned now. They know where the girl friend stands, and they have learned how to man their post up to midnight, with a textbook. Although their numbers are reduced, those that do return begin to develop a stronger "North-eastern Spirit."

SEPTEMBER, 1940

Trainees are promoted to grade of Upper Middler. An epidemic of superiority complex breaks out in camp as a result of rising out of the rookie classes, but this is quickly stamped out by stiff doses of thesis and reading assignments.

SEPTEMBER, 1941

The spirit of Northeastern grows. Morale is high. Trainees now actually look forward to the start of fall maneuvers. Training is now advanced, and intensified. Thesis and readings maneuvers have progressed to the worry stage.

SEPTEMBER, 1942

Thesis and readings maneuvers have developed into rush tactics, but morale is high. Trainees now begin to realize

fully what a great organization they are a part of.

MARCH 5, 1943.

Squadron '43 is formally organized. Senior members of the several specialized training groups are assembled and organized as a complete unit.

The Squadron's first communique listed the following officers: Eugene Jenness, first leader; Edward Hachadourian, second leader; Stanley Lis, recorder and financial officer. The unit, under the leadership of Squadron Leader Jenness, is planning coordinated maneuvers for the remainder of the training period. Captain Enzor and committee have been assigned the task of mapping plans for an invasion of the Sheraton Ballroom on Class Day. Captain Lloyd Jones has been appointed Squadron Supply Officer, responsible for caps and gowns.

TODAY, 1943

While Squadron '43 is new, as a unit, the men have been close in spirit during their years of training. They look forward now, united. They are ready to enter the actual combat of life, with a fine background. Another squadron is now ready to join the Army of Alumni, and prove the value of a Northeastern training.

RALPH G. WARNER,  
Historian—Squadron '43

## Mr. Torrey's New Job

Hamilton Torrey, who first came to Springfield Northeastern as an instructor in 1921, has been appointed assistant director, in charge of Engineering Science Management War Training work for all of the Western Massachusetts area, according to an announcement May 1 by the regional director, Dean William C. White of the Northeastern College of Engineering in Boston.

Mr. Torrey's work will be largely in the field, making contact with the many

highly developed industrial organizations in the Connecticut Valley and the Berkshires, primarily to discover what emergency courses, either of the refresher type or for added training, would help both production and administration in the war effort. His headquarters will be in the Administrative Office of the Springfield Division of Northeastern at 114 Chestnut Street, Springfield.

Such courses, started at the request of the army, and handled by the federal department of education through the engineering schools, were first started before the United States entered the war. At that time, more than two years ago, at the suggestion of Director John D. Churchill of Springfield Northeastern, Mr. Torrey was named as the part-time coordinator for the work, which was then handled in the Springfield area exclusively by Northeastern.

Under Mr. Torrey's direction, the courses, taught by outstanding industrialists and engineers, trained hundreds of young men for greater usefulness in war work. Classes met in Northeastern classrooms, at Technical High School, and at the Springfield Armory.

Since the beginning the program has been broadened in scope and a number of the arts colleges in this region have had a part in it, particularly in the departments of physics and mathematics. Now, when it is deemed desirable by the government to have this work emphasized throughout Western Massachusetts, Mr. Torrey, who has for the past year been engaged full time in education work at the Armory, has been called to this larger field of usefulness. The work of coordinator of the ESMWT work at Springfield Northeastern was taken over last July by Registrar Errol L. Buker.

For twenty-two years, except for two absences because of illness, Mr. Torrey has been an active member of the faculty, as instructor in Freshman English and,

in recent years, of precollege English as well. He received his Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Pennsylvania.

Certainly no story about Mr. Torrey in this publication should fail to mention that he was its founder. Some years ago, when he discovered that in his class in English were six students who had been editors of high school papers, he proposed that they should make use of their experience and their interest in writing by starting a paper for the university. The result was the "Nor'easter," which ever since has continued to be the voice of Springfield Northeastern.

## Weston Wins Medal

Ensign Louis J. Arcanti Weston, '42, U. S. Naval Reserve, has been awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal by President Roosevelt for outstanding service on duty.

The citation is as follows: "For heroic action in directing and aiding the rescue of two injured airmen after their plane had crash-landed in San Diego Bay on November 20, 1942. While commanding a jeep lighter in San Diego Bay Ensign Weston, seeing a plane crash about 150 yards off shore, rushed to the accident at full speed, and, as he neared the wreck, pulled off his clothes and lived into the bay. By treading water he was able to free one of the airmen, but the other victim was trapped in the wreckage with his head below water. Breaking the cowl with a wrench, Ensign Weston reached through the broken glass and for nearly forty minutes held the man's head above the icy water while others struggled to free his legs. Ensign Weston's quick thinking and gallant efforts in saving the lives of two airmen at the risk of his own were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

After the incident at San Diego for which he was decorated, Weston's fleet unit moved to Pearl Harbor, where he has since been in the Naval Hospital with a leg injury, but whether the injury was received in an accident or in action is not known here.

Louis, who lived in Hartford during his course at Northeastern, now makes his home with his aunt, Miss Evelyn E. Weston, at 53 Central Street, Somerville, Massachusetts.

## Grads Pass Bar Exam

The last classes to graduate from the Springfield Northeastern Law School, the class of June '42 and the accelerated class which completed its course in August '42, have made a phenomenal record of success in the recent bar examinations.

In the June class of twenty-five law graduates sixteen passed the exam, and of the eight in the August group four were successful. Not all the other members of the classes took the examinations:

Members of the class of June '42 who passed include Maurice H. Baitler, Alice Martha Davis, Thomas J. Donnelly, John Flynn, Jr., Socrates Geanacopoulos, Harley B. Goodrich, John T. Hanley, William J. Kern, John F. Nagle, George Ordway, Frank Placzek, John E. Reed, Joseph D. Rosenbloom, Joseph E. Stothert, Frederic T. Suss, and Walter J. Trybulski.

The successful August graduates are Louise C. Kennedy, Elizabeth M. Roberts, James J. Lovett, and George P. Chevrer.

In addition to these, William D. Canfield '40 and Bernard Glazier '41 also passed the exam.

Several of the new lawyers had previously studied also at the N. U. School of Business. This is true of Baitler, Martha Davis, Goodrich, Hanley, Reed, Trybulski, Chevrer, and Glazier.



## 334 N. U's Known To Be in Service

The Nor'easter is proud to print this list of men and women of the Springfield Division of the University now serving their country in the armed forces of the United States.

We know that this list is by no means complete. The names found here are of those who we have learned through personal information, through newspaper reports, or through government sources are in the service.

These Northeastern students and faculty members are in every branch of the service and in every continent on the globe. Knowing their caliber, we know that they are doing their full share toward the ultimate victory.

We should like to have this list more nearly complete. If you, into whose hands this copy of the Nor'easter has come, know of any other names that should be included, please mail the information to the Springfield Division of Northeastern, 114 Chestnut Street, Springfield. And you men of the University who may later be called to the colors, take time to let the school know about it, and where you are, so that, although you may not be in the corridors and classrooms next fall, your name may be there and your service known.

Let us know, too, of any honors or promotions that come to the Northeastern men in the service. We are proud that at least one of our fellow students, Ensign Louis Arcanti Weston, has been decorated for courage in the face of danger. There may be others of whom we

do not know; there will be many others in the future.

We learn, too, that Erwin R. Schott, ex-'44, is missing in action on his first combat flight over North Africa.

The list, of 334 names, follows:

### Class of '22

H. R. Ober

### Class of '24

J. J. Higgins

### Class of '25

H. D. Shierman

### Class of '27

A. B. Carpenter, R. A. Armstrong.

### Class of '28

J. L. Gula, E. C. Knudson.

### Class of '29

W. S. Hill, D. W. McReil.

### Class of '30

T. R. Moriarty, G. A. Yarrington.

### Class of '31

E. E. Levesque, W. C. Smith.

### Class of '33

R. E. Fullam, J. Hourihan, G. Knight.

### Class of '34

F. N. Bromage, N. R. Bryson, N. Cohen, P. J. Hallein, W. G. Holmes, H. Lerner, E. H. Sheldon, 2nd.

### Class of '35

W. J. Cullen, H. C. Gray, R. W. King, R. A. Messier, E. D. Redden.

### Class of '36

W. J. Bailey, R. L. Benoit, M. B. Bogardus, E. H. Kane.

### Class of '37

J. Geehern.

## Class of '38

P. C. Dulack, R. B. McPherson, S. L. Shea, P. D. Wilson.

## Class of '39

H. J. Cotter, A. W. Donohue, R. E. Kraft, J. Laming, J. R. Lester, M. T. Mayes, S. W. Warwick, W. E. Watkins.

## Class of '40

T. J. Bennett, W. D. Canfield, J. O'Connor, C. J. McQueen, H. A. Murphy, M. B. Reach, Jr., S. N. Slater, E. J. Taft.

## Class of '41

J. L. Bannon, R. Bessette, M. M. Blodgett, B. G. Brown, J. Cavanaugh, S. M. Cooley, E. L. Donnellan, R. A. Edwards, A. Finnell, W. R. Fritze, C. Frueh, J. Healy, J. W. Knight, J. G. Mahan, R. L. Matthew, A. C. Reynolds, S. Reynolds, R. Sharpe, G. H. Suhm.

## Class of '42

W. Crombie, T. J. Donnelly, T. J. Drewniak, J. Elger, J. W. Falvey, S. Fisher, R. W. Holt, B. L. Johnson, S. J. Kuta, G. J. Leger, J. J. McCormick, J. M. Onorato, Jr., H. A. Pace, C. R. Parent, R. E. Pasco, F. Placzek, K. Ross, G. N. Seigny, L. A. Weston.

## Class of '43

E. A. Anderstrom, J. Bickley, C. Davidson, R. C. Ewig, D. J. Ferguson, J. P. Gaffney, J. P. Galimberti, E. Hachadourian, E. V. Hall, C. Hegerman, J. J. Kane, E. J. Laramée, W. B. Larson, C. Letarte, D. T. Metcalf, L. J. Newman, W. J. Raschi, B. R. Sandiford, E. R. Schott, C. M. Swaine, J. G. Tilley, E. H. Wilkins, Jr.

## Class of '44

W. J. Bourque, E. J. Brzys, G. H. Chandler, F. B. Connor, E. E. Carmell, R. T. Day, H. A. Farrell, W. F. Harrington, D. R. Johnston, E. C. Kallmeyer, J. J. Kane, A. W. King, E. J. O'Connor, P. L. O'Donnell, V. Petrolati, V. H.

Pulvirenti, W. Roberts, Jr., W. L. Todd.

## Class of '45

R. J. Ackerman, M. Arcobello, W. C. Brown, M. W. Burns, Jr., J. J. Chechile, T. D. Clancy, L. G. Clowes, T. Courtney, O. B. Dean, Jr., H. A. Gibbons, T. P. Gilbert, Jr., G. Gunderson, J. M. Hammerich, R. C. Hammerich, R. W. Hutton, Jr., E. H. Quigley, H. E. Kingston, M. Jaciow, W. A. James, W. Johnson, R. E. Kibbe, Jr., A. A. LaRiviere, E. M. Malerba, D. L. McCarthy, C. F. McMorro, E. W. McNamara, G. Tagliabue, R. T. Welch, R. E. Wheeler, G. Witek.

## Class of '46

F. W. Aldrich, L. J. Barnard, R. C. Blackburn, J. C. Buckley, H. A. Burbank, Jr., S. C. Burkot, F. A. Circosta, L. Conti, J. J. Conway, W. J. Cosman, Jr., F. W. Curtis, G. D'Amour, R. Ferriter, A. Guilbert, W. J. Harper, N. A. Hansen, E. A. Hlastova, W. A. Hopper, J. F. Quigley, R. L. Keefe, G. E. Lacoske, S. J. Levine, R. J. Lussier, E. A. Lynch, F. L. Marchese, D. G. Marshall, P. Marshall, T. W. McGowan, F. J. Murphy, K. H. Oates, K. G. O'Connor, V. W. Paounoff, V. I. Pavloglou, A. H. Perry, R. F. Phaneuf, F. J. Pope, N. Powell, H. W. Retchin, E. J. Rosso, R. W. Weitzel.

## Class of '47

J. F. Barrett, R. J. Benoit, P. B. Bike, H. S. Bills, Jr., S. J. Blanchard, W. D. Boardman, C. R. Bohanon, M. E. Bouchard, H. B. Brandt, R. C. Bray, J. F. Brega, T. A. Buckley, J. E. Carlton, M. J. Ciolek, J. A. Colby, R. J. Collins, A. E. Coons, N. J. Cummings, A. W. Daglio, J. Dambkowski, A. J. Dimauro, W. F. Dionne, A. L. Duquette, W. H. Fairman, R. W. Gamble, A. J. Gates, T. W. Gilchrist, R. A. Gorman, R. B. Griffin, R. J. Hackett, C. W. Haettinger, G. T. Hanley, Jr., M. A. Hertzmark, A. Jorge, P. J. Judelson, E. T. Kennedy, E. A. Kucerik, J. V. Latino, L. Liberman, J. F.

Lightcap, L. G. Martin, J. A. McManamy, D. Munroe, D. Murphy, H. Norkin, P. Olesak, M. S. Piligian, N. G. Piteo, W. C. Platenik, K. F. Porter, D. A. Rich, Samuel Rome, M. A. Slavin, A. J. Smith, J. M. Smith, Jr., R. M. Spottz, F. J. Stipek, T. Sweeney, N. G. Totten, R. C. Twombly, O. B. Viereck, D. F. Withee, E. M. Wood, S. O. Zades.

#### Class of '48

R. Aub, R. J. Cizek, R. E. Crosby, J. F. Donoghue, C. E. Edberg, A. R. Flechsig, M. V. Golas, H. B. Gray, H. L. Khtikian, K. K. Klim, Jr., J. M. Letendre, J. Lieberman, D. B. Mackay, A. D. Mammarelli, W. D. Mosher, A. Oparowski, W. E. Russell, E. J. Safarik, W. J. Saleeby, H. O. Soukiasian, K. E. Spaulding, Jr., H. F. Storin, Jr., D. B. Sullivan, H. G. Theobald, M. A. Ugolini, V. E. Walsh, W. F. Zenner.

#### Unclassified

C. T. Anderstrom, J. W. Giles, H. Gloth, R. L. Hargraves, T. Howarth, J. J. Jurgens, D. J. Keiser, F. M. Lamoureux, G. R. Leary, Jr., F. M. MacIsaac, W. V. Malone, P. H. Pio, W. A. Speer, Jr., C. L. Thorndike, Jr., T. Touhey, K. T. Warren, R. C. Winkler, D. C. Wolcott.

#### Pre-College

The Pre-College group, including several from the Springfield Summer School classes:

E. C. Broadbent, V. A. Carestia, D. J. Cote, H. H. Deck, F. J. Dubrava, K. B. Howe, C. A. Juskiewicz, J. S. Laing, D. L. LaVeigne, S. Lazarz, J. K. McMaster, C. R. Mitchell, T. Ossolinski, D. H. Peirce, H. L. Ryan, J. J. Sacco, M. H. Seltzer, R. J. Trepanier.

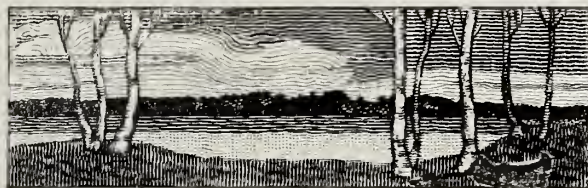
#### Members of the Faculty

R. B. Clark, G. L. Heathers, W. F. Kaufman, J. A. Patterson, J. L. Spurr, P. A. Wilks.

#### Grad Wins C. P. A. Medal

Robert D. Gourlie has been awarded the gold medal given each year by the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, for attaining the highest mark in the C. P. A. examination.

Gourlie was graduated from Springfield Northeastern in 1939, having earned the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, with honor. He is a graduate of Enfield High School, Thompsonville, Connecticut, in the class of 1929. He has been employed by the Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company.







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"Nations were made to help each other as much as families were; and all advancement is by ideas, and not by brute force or mechanic force."

... Ralph Waldo Emerson.

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## Registration Goes Up

Registration figures for Springfield Northeastern as compared with last year are somewhat better which shows that the pendulum is starting to swing a little higher.

In the fall of '44 there were, in the School of Business, a total of 187 students against 178 last year. The pre-college classes, for some unknown reason, took a decided drop. We have 18 students here as compared with 34 in 1943. On the other hand, in July and August our Springfield Summer Tutoring School, a summer pre-college program of study during the day under the direction of Springfield Northeastern, went over the top with 56 this year as compared with 43 in the previous year. Combining these three groups we find that the total gross enrollment for the year 1944-45 is 261 against 255 for 1943-44. Another item which helps prove that we really are slightly better off is the fact that total withdrawals for the year so far have reached 49, whereas last year at this time they had gone up to 53. This figure may seem small when used as a comparative, but when you think of how hard everything is to get, including students, it seems pretty good.

Right at the present moment out of the gross enrollment of 187 in the School of Business we have left 144, 52 studying in accounting, 25 in management, and 67 in engineering and business.

Now, all this makes us think of next year. We started the ball rolling this year by increasing our enrollment, and we want to keep it rolling by having more and more of the kind of fine young men and women that we see in our corridors and classrooms now! Remember, there is no time like the present to start paving the way for the future. It is up to each and everyone of us, so let's get going!!

## Dinner Dance April 7

The Student Council Dinner Dance is the social event of the year. At this dance the faculty and students intermingle freely and all get to understand each other better. This dance is planned so that everyone will have a merry time and meet his classmates in a social atmosphere.

We are not able to have all the social times and opportunities for fellowship we would like so, when the occasion arrives for this opportunity, we should all take advantage of it.

Watch the bulletin board for more complete information about the dance.

Here are some of the important statistics:

PLACE—Hotel Highland

DATE—April 7, 1945

TIME—Dinner at 6:30

DRESS—Semi-formal

PRICE—Moderate—\$1.50 each

WHO GOES—You and your friends

RESERVATIONS — Make them early with E. Vincent

SPONSORS—Student Council

The gold "N" of Northeastern is to be awarded this year, as in the past years, at this dinner dance to the student or students who have contributed outstanding service to Northeastern. Last year the "N" was awarded to Paul Allain for his work in many phases of student activity. The intrinsic value of the "N" is small but symbolically the "N" is priceless. The award is made by a committee composed of Student Council members and members of the faculty, after careful deliberation.

Set aside Saturday evening, April 7, for this gala affair.

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Money doesn't always bring happiness. A guy with ten million dollars isn't any happier than a guy with only nine million.

## News Of Servicemen

Mr. John D. Churchill is quite a busy man these days, for besides his many duties as director, he is shaking the hands of the boys who are leaving Northeastern for the service and wishing them godspeed or greeting a lad just home and back visiting his Alma Mater.

Louis Searleman B. B. A.—Acct. '42, came in January 9, to visit with Mr. Churchill and had a long chat. He has been in India and Burma for fourteen months and was flown back to the United States for specific training and service in the Chicago Ordnance District, along the lines of his college training at N. U. A good share of the time that he spent overseas, he was attached to General Stillwell's headquarters.

His conversation was dotted with descriptive information about the people and customs there. We remember particularly his mentioning the terrific heat. The great quantities and the beauty of jade, his appreciation, on returning home, of American cooking, were things we also can not forget. He spoke of grimmer things, though with the quiet detachment of the quiet person that he is and the paucity of words rather common to a veteran who has seen many months in combat. He had but eleven days furlough, but paid two long visits to Mr. Churchill.

On January 31, Sergeant John S. Kasiemski, a gunner in the Army Air Corp, dropped in to say "Hello" to Mr. Churchill. He is a former student (ex '41 Mgt.) and is at present back in the States for a rest after nine months in Europe, out of England. He has flown 31 missions and was wearing a number of stars and oak leaf clusters on his service bar.

Recently Tuillio A. Francesconi — Radar Man 2/cp. Division, Fleet Service

School, Virginia Beach, Va., paid a visit. He was graduated in '36 from the Northeastern School of Law. At present he is an instructor in Radar at the Fleet Service School in Virginia. His chat was most interesting. Francesconi is remembered as a good student and a fine man. We assumed from his visit that he is going up for a commission before long.

Morton A. Slavin, ex '47 E.&B. dropped in recently to say hello and ask about Mr. Churchill's son, Deane. The two boys left together a couple of years ago for their training in the Army Air Corps. Slavin left for army service during his second year at N. U. After demonstrating in the one year he was here, by getting high dean's list honors, that a capable boy who did not do his best in secondary school can settle down and do a fine job in college, he has been keeping up the good work in the army. He received his army air corps commission as a pilot over a year ago. He has since been used by the army as an instructor, notably for the last five or six months at West Point. We hope that we may have him back in Northeastern in the role of student once more when this war is over.

He now wears the silver bars of the first lieutenant.

John J. MacKay ('46 Mgt.) wrote to Mr. Churchill from Burma. He asked advice as to the choice of subjects that he might be studying while away so that he may be able to take his place again at Northeastern, upon returning. Another man writing recently was Walter Kwapien ('46 E & B). At present he is at the Personnel Depot in San Bruno, California. Both of these men left school to enter the service. The U. S. Armed Forces Institute (USAFI) is a means for men in the army and navy such as MacKay and Kwapien to do work in college subjects, if they wish, no matter where they are, toward probable credit to their various curricula upon returning.

We are happy that not all cases, re-

lated to the war recently, of our students have been departures. We are not only proud of those who have gone in the past few years, served well and returned, but are very glad to have them back with us. During the present year we have Robert W. Hutton, Jr. formerly '45 now back with '48 to complete his work in management; Russell E. Kibbe, Jr., formerly '45 now '48 accounting; and George E. Lacoske, formerly '46, now '48.

By the way, it is interesting to note that these men chose to return to Springfield Northeastern, where recitation will be in the evening, though as honorably discharged veterans they might have elected to apply for admission elsewhere on the basis of recitation in the day time since the government makes possible for such study subistence funds in addition to education funds. Evidently they shared with all the other men and women who have graduated at Springfield Northeastern in the twenty odd years past the conviction that continuous study and continuous employment seem to be the ideal education for folks who would not only grew intellectually, but makes real advances in employment along lines of their growth long before they have received their college degrees.

Another veteran recently returned but too late to resume studies in '44-45 is Donald M. Munroe, formerly of the class of '47, a student in management and a brother of Kirk Munroe ('46 Acct.), still in service. Donald says, however, that he will be in class with us once again this coming September. Munroe saw more service in the Mediterranean area than he is inclined to mention.

Angelo M. Lacivita ('47 E & B) who was wounded in Europe is now hospitalized at the Cushing Hospital, Framingham, Mass.

The ranks of the freshman class are thinning down materially. Since the school registration in September many boys have put aside their books temporarily for the pursuits of war forced upon them by the aggressor nations.

Among them are Ralph T. Ferrara '48 E&B, Francis J. Barry '50 Acct., Elio C. Bellucci '50 E&B, Edward P. Godek '50 E&B, Guy C. Hosmer '50 E&B, Edward P. Lewandoski '50 E&B, William D. Roy '50 E&B, Bernard R. Swol '50 E&B, and Wallace D. Przbycien, pre-college.

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## Two Gold Stars

We were deeply grieved at word received here telling of the untimely death of William W. Willard ('46 Acct.) who was killed in action on November 19, 1944 in Germany. Bill left Northeastern a little less than a year ago, March 27, 1944, for the service, going overseas in October. Pvt. Willard leaves his wife, Mrs. Betty Willard, of 6 Itendale Street, and a three and a half year old son.

Another gold star was placed beside the name of Carl M. Stevens about a month ago. He also was killed in action, on December 17, in Belgium. Previously he had been listed "missing". He was a '45 Mgt. student before leaving school and entering the service, having gone on to Northeastern School of Business after a year in pre-college work under the supervision of Springfield Northeastern. Besides Mrs. Stevens, the former Elizabeth Maxwell, and niece of George Maxwell '23, Pfc. Stevens leaves a seven month baby boy whom he never saw. We extend our sincerest sympathy to the families of both men.

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## The Returning Veteran

by Robert W. Hutton, '48

What shall we do to prepare for the return of the veteran? Shall we prepare an elaborate hero's welcome with a brass band for the victors? Shall industry turn its plants upside down? Or, shall we provide a common-sense welcome which is simple, sincere, friendly, and designed to put the man back on the job as soon as he is ready, but only after individual and understanding consideration. Essen-



tially, the handling of the problem of veteran placement is an individual one, with each case somewhat different.

The public generally looks to manufacturing industry for the leadership to energize all other business enterprises and to initiate the preparedness necessary to provide jobs for our servicemen. Industry must provide such leadership in order to stimulate all prospective employers to recognize their responsibilities and opportunities. Therein lies the source for more jobs than the manufacturers themselves can possibly provide.

The manufacturer in a town or city can do much to help his community in providing organized assistance and more jobs for veterans. By such community participation, the manufacturer is, perhaps, exceeding his direct obligation, but nevertheless he is doing no less than is expected of him by his townsfolk, who have learned to look to him for leadership.

The return of the veteran presents a great responsibility to American industry. It also presents a real opportunity. While we cannot over-emphasize the necessity for giving serious consideration to the problem, let us not over-emphasize the difficulties of finding a solution. It is imperative, however, that a company re-examine its employment, placement, induction, transfer, and promotion practices. When this is done, many of the answers will be found. Add to this the realization that industry has much to gain by returning to its rolls "the cream of American manhood". The benefits are legion. If we fail in this opportunity, industry—and for that matter, America itself—is the loser. If we all meet this obligation squarely, we can look forward hopefully to the day when victory is ours and once again men have found their place in useful, gainful employment.

Mrs. Jones: My husband is the only man who ever kissed me.

Mrs. Smith: Are you bragging or complaining?

## Sorority Initiates

ΣΝΥ Sorority held its twenty-second annual initiation banquet at the Sheraton Hotel, Saturday evening, February 24, at which time four new members were inducted into the Sorority.

Anna Ambrozoits, President, was assisted by Jean Bradish and Marion Pre-mont who were in charge of entertainment.

The girls were served a delicious dinner which was followed by games and initiation stunts. We find that the initiates are made of good sturdy material. They surely can take it. The entertainment committee deserves credit for the well-arranged program.

The girls initiated are:

Elizabeth Sullivan, Management, '50. Betty was graduated from Cathedral High School and is employed as a clerk at Westover Field.

Lorraine Sosville, Accounting, '50. Lorraine is a graduate of the High School of Commerce. She is employed as laboratory assistant at the American Bosch.

Frances Taylor, Accounting, '50. Frances graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy, St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and is employed in the Comptroller's Office at the Albert Seiger Co.

Stefie Swol, Accounting, '50. Stefie was graduated from Chicopee High School and Bay Path Institute of Commerce. She is employed as clerk in the Local Draft Board 142.

Dorothy Ramey, Doris St. Germain, Mary C. Gaudreau, and Margaret Sears found it impossible to attend the initiation, but plans are being made to have them take the vows of the sorority at the next business meeting.

Here's an appropriate little verse for all mustache growers:

Twinkle, twinkle little hair  
How I wonder where you 'air  
Up above the lip so brave,  
What you need is a good close shave.

## Pi Tau Kappa

Delta's 1944-1945 season got into full swing with its opening meeting Saturday, November 18 at the Hotel Sheraton. After a tasty dinner Deltaites listened to an entertaining and enlightening description and history of the Phillipine Islands by Professor Arthur Rudman.

During the business meeting a report was read of the findings made by Delta's Board of Governors with respect to our member Chapters Beta and Gamma in Worcester and Providence respectively. It was announced that Delta now has eighty-one members in the armed forces.

The name of Robert Hutton, Class of '48, was proposed for membership and it was voted to initiate him at the next business meeting.

Attending their first meeting as members were Heinz Sherbow and Edward Bidwell, who had been initiated at the annual meeting last June.

Delta Chapter's initiation meeting was held March 24 at 6:30 at the Town Hall Grill at which time two new members were inducted into the fraternity. They were Robert Hutton, Class of '48, enrolled in Management, and George Hitchcock, Jr., Class of '47, enrolled in Accounting.

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### HI, POP!

Robert Hutton '48 and Mrs. Hutton are happy in the recent arrival of a new bouncing son.

Mr. Hutton, who is honorably discharged from the U. S. Coast Guard is studying Management. He has recently given a talk on "The Viewpoint of a Springfield Veteran" at Classical High School, in the series of Community Forums.

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Customer: Have you a book entitled "Man, the Master of the Home"?

Salesgirl: The fiction department is on the other side, sir.

## Maine Guide

By Heinz Sherbow

From friends in the Appalachian Mountain Club and many others whom I had met on trips to the White Mountain's and the Adirondacks Mountains, I had heard many intriguing and interesting stories about guides in the State of Maine, especially around Mount Kata-din. When, in the summer of 1942, I was invited to join a group of mountain climbers from Springfield, New York and Boston on a two weeks camping trip in the Katadin region, it did not take much persuasion to induce me to accept.

Our leader was to be Charlie Dudley, veteran Maine guide. This brawny, wiry, weather-beaten and somewhat tough looking specimen of guide was famous for his b'ar stories, each prefaced with the statement, "Naow, this really happened to me, when I was down in . . . .", as we soon were to find out. But he also knew this mountain region better than most of us know our community parks at home.

Charlie would lecture us on how to ascend the North Wall from the floor of the Great Basin to the head wall from which a less steep scramble leads to the summit of Mount Katadin. A mighty strange language he spoke too, about "pitons—traverse—proceed diagonally—to a shelf at the foot of the left hand of two small parallel chimneys—go up the broken red rock couloir—go under, and up to the right of the buttresses—proceed fifty feet straight up a vertical crack to the eighth piton, which is behind an elongated chockstone—do a retablissement up wall at center—lay-back in corner, then straight up a tiny gully forty feet to a concave face—go into cave for belay". Charlie could go on for hours in this kind of lingo which in the beginning of our vacations had no meaning for us whatsoever and even at the end of two weeks we had made very little progress in actual knowledge

of this strange vocabulary.

Many were his picturesque descriptions of the Wassataquoik watershed, part of which the annual spring floods have left a region of miniature Everglades, with stagnant pools and watercourses, swamp vegetation and huge old trees. He would tell us about the ascend of Chimney Peak by way of the chimney (famous to rockclimbers), Squaw and Pogy Mountains, the Knife Edge, North Basin and the Klondike on Katadin itself, but most inspired did he seem to be when tellings us about Mount Pamola. Pamola, the folklore had it, was a huge creature that would roll the full moon like a yellow ball over the Knife Edge with its bat-wings trailing a thousand feet across the sky.

So this was our guide who led us to our camping ground near Chimney Pond. Some of us were lodged in log shelters looking right into the great hulking side of Katadin while others were luxuriously housed in a tent. After we were settled and had done justice to the welcome supper provided by Lucy Dudley, Charlie's good spouse, we gathered around the campfire as we had done many times other years at different campsides. We talked and sang, until Charlie came to top off the evening with several of his best stories on the giant "Pamola", who for some time has been his private guide, mentor and philosopher.

Sunday, most of the party was deftly led by Charlie up the Dudley (named in his honor) trail, over the Knife Edge, and down over Hamlin Ridge, after extensive wanderings towards the Gateway and the Northwest Plateau to look down into the Klondike. As we paused on the outlook, the mists lifted. To the east, Mount Whitecap wore a cap of cloud whitened in the morning sun. As we went along the Knife Edge and upon reaching the summit of Mount Katadin, we had many fine and slightly different views of Moosehead, Spencer Mountains, Mount Baker with its different peaks, around to Whitecap—a full

sweep of this Maine country, so wildly abundant in its mountains and lakes.

On the way down, we spent some time trying to climb a huge boulder which was topped by an overhang, the edge of which had to be climbed in a way which we non-rockclimbers called the "rope and sky" technique. Our two expert rock climbers, Charlie and Larry, gave an excellent exhibition of their pet hobby at this point. When, however, they tried to talk up enthusiasm among the rest of us about conquering the overhang, Betty was heard to say "But, Larry, who wants to dangle?" Immediately, this became our watchword for the remainder of the vacation.

Later in the afternoon, our leader suggested the exploration of a lookout to the north which appeared promising although it meant a series of rock-hoppings as he preferred to call it. We did, however, combine this little side excursion with some blueberry-pickings. These, the berries, had grown here in abundance and were ripe for the picking. By this time, we were a bit weary and footsore and "tattered and torn" (our Maine guide turned out to be a specialist at violent bushwacking), but who could resist these delicious, cherry-size variety of Maine blueberries which seemed to be begging for a place of honor in one of Lucy Dudley's super blueberries pies.

After this perfect day on Katadin with memories of rare views, we had more songs and stories in front of the open fire, and Charlie told of Bears, and Moose and north of Katadin in the hunting season.

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Two men were sitting together on a bus. One of them noticed that his friend had his eyes closed.

"What's the matter, are you feeling ill?" he asked.

"No; I'm all right," answered the other. "But I hate to see ladies standing."

## THE OPEN KETTLE

Education is the heart of economic security. Through education, competence is developed in all its forms—for citizenship, for clear thinking, for creative work, and for life in the modern world. The stoutest form of security is the capacity of the individual to compete successfully with economic hazards as they appear.

Training in skills and specific professions is a vital part of individual and social competence. For the postwar era, training has special significance. Millions of young men and women, who have interrupted their educations and careers to serve this country, need vocational preparation before they resume the competition of civilian life. For them and for all Americans, training in skills, old and new, is especially important because of current technical progress. The transition period from war to peace will constitute one of the most important turning points in our industrial progress.

In addition to the need for knowledge and skill which contribute to the production of goods, there will be an equal need for knowledge and skill in distributing them competitively. Through competition, a premium is put upon increasing total amount of goods and services available for the security of us all.

As a background for vocational training and for all-around competence in all other phases of human activity, sound academic education is basic. Real competence to read, write, and reason, were at a premium before this war and will be even more widely needed for the postwar reconstruction of peacetime enterprise and civilian lives.

We cannot build the future of this country securely except in terms of what Americans want. Education is the primary factor in determining the wants, the tastes, and the demands of all Americans, as well as in determining our ability to fulfill America's needs.

Education and industry have a deep common interest in protection against

economic hazards. The educator has a responsibility to help every student acquire qualities which enable him to develop competence and self-reliance to the highest level of his innate ability.

Management has similar responsibilities to employees. The businessman is frequently as deeply interested in educational matters as is the teacher. For, it is in the business world that educational methods receive their severest test—where the character, initiative, and reasoning power, developed by our schools, are used to create new wealth upon which this country's protection against hazards, economic or otherwise, so largely depends.

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## CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. C. I. Chatto, who came to Springfield Northeastern in 1933 as Advanced English instructor, has been recently appointed principal of Classical High School. Previous to that he was Curriculum Specialist in the Public Schools. In addition to teaching Advanced English at Northeastern, he also conducts the Public Speaking Class.

Mr. Chatto is connected with the widely known Springfield program of education for citizenship in the Public Schools. He has been travelling extensively to give talks on this program. Mr. Chatto will be heading for the South, very shortly where he will give ten talks in ten different cities from Mississippi to Houston, Texas. It looks as if Mr. Chatto is running a close second to Eleanor; in fact, he caught up with her last November 11 in New York City, at a convention where both were speakers.

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## WANTED

A lyrics writer. Do you cherish a secret idea that you can write lyrics to music? If so, communicate with either Mr. Thompson at the bookstore or Jane Kusnierz. We have a student who can compose tunes and we need someone to write the lyrics. Here's a chance to go places.



# **THE NORTHEASTER**

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"It is more important to know where  
you are going than to get there quickly.  
Do not mistake activity for achieve-  
ment."

. . . Mabel Newcomber

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# Freshman Bible

(Every newcomer to Springfield Northeastern needs to become familiar with certain institutions and traditions which are a vital part of the school. In the following pages freshmen will find important and useful information. That is why we call them the Freshman Bible.—The Editor.)

## TO THE FRESHMEN

A word to the members of the Class of 1951. The "Nor'easter" staff has left a request for a word from me to you and other new students; whether they want a word of greeting or a message, I do not know. You see, there is a difference between them, a greeting and a message. Greeting implies that one is very happy to see some one else. That is true in this case, if you are the kind of person we really want to see. A message signifies something of thought and depth. It points to the future, whereas greeting may be rather casual. When I said "if you are the kind of person we want to see," my word of greeting was changed unconsciously to a message.

If you are full of the natural enthusiasm of healthy humanity I am very glad indeed to have a chance to come to know you. If you have come believing us when we have told you that you have come to hard and valuable college study, that we hope you will make the most of it, not merely for yourselves, but helping to build a better world in these days following the War of the Axis Aggression, we shall be happier still; oh, very much happier, when we find that the few short years that you are to spend with us shall have been run, and that you are off to continuously greater and finer achievements in the battle of life.

So much for greetings. So much for message. While you are here, the very essence of what happens at Springfield Northeastern means serious academic effort, but there is a little time for student

activity. Make the most of the occasions which the Student Council arranges for you. Make the most of the opportunities presented by various social-fraternal organizations. Take a hand on the "Nor'easter" when its staff may call upon you and get acquainted with all of us, faculty and student body alike, in so far as possible in these years while you are here that will run so very rapidly.

Best wishes,

—From the Director

## THE STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council is composed of representatives of the various classes. As the executive committee of the student body it has charge of elections, celebrations, special lectures, entertainments, and other activities. The Student Council makes plans for the Freshman Reception and for the annual Spring Dinner Dance.

The Council acts also as a clearing house for ideas. Students contact their respective Student Council representatives whenever they have any suggestions or constructive criticisms to make which they feel will be for the betterment of the school. May we call your attention to the Suggestion Box in the bookstore. This box is opened only by the president of the Council, Paul H. Benoit. The contents of the box will be duly discussed at each council meeting and all suggestions and requests will be treated as strictly confidential.

All suggestions for the good of the students and the school generally will be welcomed. Remember, however, if your suggestion is to have consideration of the council, it must be signed. If the request is not worth your signature, it is not worth consideration.

Incidentally, do you know what becomes of that Activities Fee? The fund raised by this fee is used for the Freshman Reception, to finance the Nor'easter, to pay lecturers, whom the Student

Council may secure, and to pay in part for the annual Spring Dinner Dance. At the end of each year any portion of this fund which is remaining is transferred to the Student Aid Fund for the assistance of deserving students.

The officers for the Northeastern Student Council for the year 1945-46 are as follows:

President: Paul H. Benoit '46

Vice-president: Heinz J. Sherbow '48

Secretary: Anna Ambroziois '48

The members of the Student Council for this year are given below by classes:

Jean M. Cameron '46; Jane A. Kusnierz '46; Edwin E. Vincent '47; Bemis P. Wood '47; Edward M. Bidwell '48; Robert W. Hutton, Jr. '48; George S. Jackson '49; Martin J. Sawa '49; David B. Shepherd '49; Jeo J. Bousquet '50; Michael Gonzalez '50; Rayford R. Parker '50.

## HELLO, EVERYBODY!

Hello! This is your 1945-46 greeting from The Nor'easter. Welcome to all you new students, veterans, and old friends.

After a few months of rest we are back again with our books, starting new courses, making new friends, and greeting old pals. A busy and happy year is ahead for everyone. Let's enjoy the things we do. We can give instructors our earnest support and let their efforts be our guide.

One way in which you can quickly get into the Northeastern service is through this publication. The Nor'easter needs writers, editors, columnists, and in fact anybody with ideas. Anyone interested in making contributions is welcome. The paper is published about three or four times a year in the interest of Springfield Northeastern. If you want to share in its production, please see the editor, Jane A. Kusnierz '46, or leave word with Mr. Chapin at the bookstore.

## THE BULLETIN BOARD

The Bulletin Board is the official source of information other than the office and

catalogs. It is found in the lobby opposite the bookstore. All students are held responsible for reading all information posted there either by the office or members of the faculty.

Tuition, laboratory, student activities, graduation, thesis, and other fees must be paid as stipulated in the University rules. All obligations must be paid before, on, or within, the dates regularly scheduled; or, in the case of special deferred-payment agreements, on the date specified in the agreement. Students whose bills have not been properly cared for when due are not admitted to classes.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### Sophomore Scholarship

A scholarship of \$25 is awarded annually to that student of the Sophomore Class who has made the highest average grade in all courses of the first two years. The scholarship is donated by Alpha Chapter of the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity.

Mrs. Jean B. Bradish '49 won this scholarship last year. She is on the Dean's list.

### Middle Scholarship

A scholarship of \$25 is awarded annually to that student of the Lower Middle Class who has made the highest average grade in all courses of the first three years. The scholarship is donated by Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

George F. Boyce '48 won this scholarship in 1945-46. He also won the Sophomore scholarship the previous year, has served on the Student Council, and is on the Dean's List.

### Junior Scholarship

A scholarship of \$25 is awarded annually to that student of the Junior Class who has made the highest average grade in all courses from his Freshman to Junior years inclusive. The scholarship is donated by Delta Chapter of the Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity.

Pakyng Ng '46 won this scholarship.

The cash prizes are made available on the third tuition date of this school year.

## The Dean's List

The director's office of the Springfield Division has received from the office of the dean of the School of Business of the University in Boston the names of the students who made the dean's list because of their attainments in scholarship during the academic year 1944-45.

From the class of 1946 Miss Jean M. Cameron of Windsor Locks, a major in accounting, graduate of Windsor Locks High; Jane A. Kusnierz, accounting, Chicopee High School; Frederick L. Warneke, engineering and business, Technical High School, Springfield; Ernest J. Wojcik, accounting, Chicopee High.

From the class of 1947 Robert B. Powell, engineering and business, West Philadelphia High School, Philadelphia, Pa.; George D. Robinson, Jr., engineering and business, Technical High, Springfield.

From the class of 1948 Anna Ambrozoits, accounting, Holyoke High School; George F. Boyce, engineering and business, Halifax County Academy, Halifax, Nova Scotia; Robert W. Hutton, Jr., management, Holyoke High; Dorothy M. Porter, accounting, High School of Commerce; Heinz J. Sherbow, accounting, Realgymnasium, Bremen, Germany.

From the class of 1949 Mrs. Jean B. Bradish, accounting, Westfield High School; Marion F. Premont, accounting, Holy Name High School, Chicopee; Martin J. Sawa, engineering and business, Chicopee Trade School; David B. Shepherd, engineering and business, Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford, Va.; Carl A. Nelson, engineering and business, Springfield Trade School.

From the class of 1950 Leo J. Bousquet, accounting, Pinkerton Academy, Derry Village, N. H.; Charles M. Fedor, accounting, Easthampton High School; Thomas F. Guiheen, accounting, Holyoke High School; Doris L. St. Germain, accounting, Holyoke High School; Stefie A. Swol, accounting, Chicopee High School; Frances I. Taylor, accounting, St. Johns-

bury Academy, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; Michael Gonzales, engineering and business, Westfield High School; Walter Olechna, engineering and business, Westfield High School; Edward J. Szczebak, engineering and business, Technical High School; Henry Szostak, engineering and business, Westfield High School; John M. Waniga, engineering and business, Watertown High School, Watertown, Connecticut.

## Annual Dinner Dance

The annual dinner dance, sponsored by the Student Council, was held at the Highland Hotel on Saturday, April 7, with Franklin Ferguson acting as master of ceremonies.

The "N" awards were presented to four students selected by a Council-faculty committee. They were Miss Eileen Griffin, Miss Jane A. Kusnierz, Paul Benoit, and Franklin Ferguson. They received the award for their contribution to Springfield Northeastern.

Professor Alfred Everett, newly appointed dean of the Northeastern School of Business at Boston, was the main speaker. Mr. Everett was for over twenty years a member of the engineering staff at Boston.

Director John D. Churchill of the Springfield Division and three instructors also spoke.

After the conclusion of the speaking program, tables were cleared from the banquet hall and dancing was enjoyed.

## Commencement

The twenty-fourth Commencement Exercises of Northeastern University, Springfield Division, were held June 6 at Faith Church.

Six students received the degree of bachelor of business administration. Isadore E. Blatt and Franklin L. Ferguson, Jr., received their degrees in accounting; Frederick L. Bardwell, in management; Warren C. Christensen, Leonard L. Mar-



tin, and Samuel Wallans in engineering and business.

Albert Ellsworth Everett, dean of the school of business at Boston, conferred the degrees for the university, while John D. Churchill, Director, awarded the diplomas for the division. Robert L. Emerson, Chairman of the board of governors, presided at the exercises. Herbert S. Terrill, member of the Class of 1925, served as marshal.

Dr. Robbins Wolcott Barstow, director of the commission for world council service, World Council of Churches, delivered the commencement address. Taking as his topic, "Is Life Too Busy?" Dr. Barstow stated that the recent years of tragedy have called out courage and heroism which had been almost forgotten, but that even those who have not experienced pain and sorrow must demonstrate courage, for all face testing situations. These testing situations may not be bombs or hazards of the battlefield, but the risks involved in straightening out racial discrimination, black marketing or the sudden mushroom growth of gambling offer greater challenge than going over the top with a flame thrower or charging a pillbox.

"Strength comes through struggle. We ought to thank God for placing before us difficulties that call forth the best that is in us," he concluded.

Two members of the graduating class, Samuel Wallans and Warren Christensen, also delivered addresses, the former on "An Industrial Hypodermic for the Post-war Period," and the latter on "Victory Must Not Be In Vain."

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Dad to boy on way to a night club:  
"Son when Abe Lincoln was your age, he was busily studying law every night."

Son: "Yeah! And when he was your age, Pop, he was president."

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Soldier: I asked you for a kiss.

Blonde: Well, what are you waiting for  
—an application blank?

## New Instructors

### William H. King

William H. King of 1610 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, has been appointed instructor in the course in industrial management problems and policies.

Mr. King is the planning superintendent of the Van Norman Company, with which he has been associated since early 1941, during the wartime expansion at that company. Prior to that he had been with the Scovell Wellington Company in Boston in the field of accounting. A graduate of Classical High School, he received the degree of bachelor of science in economics from the University of Pennsylvania with the class of 1940. At Pennsylvania he studied at the Wharton School, specializing in accounting and economics. He is a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and the Springfield Junior Chamber of Commerce.

### John A. McLean, Jr.

The director's office of the local division of Northeastern University announces the appointment of a new instructor to their present staff, John A. McLean, Jr., who succeeds Elo C. Tanner as instructor in design.

Mr. McLean is an engineer in the East Springfield plant of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, with which he has been connected since graduation from the University of Maryland in 1937. During the war years, he has been employed on refrigeration for naval equipment. He received his bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering with the class of 1937 and is a member of the American Society of Refrigeration Engineers.

### Robert N. Fuller

Mr. Robert N. Fuller, advertising manager of the G. and C. Merriam Company, has been appointed as instructor in advertising principles and advertising campaigns. He succeeds Mr. Eliot L. Wright.

Mr. Fuller, chairman of the current

community chest solicitation, has been with the Merriam Company since 1937. Previously he had been assistant cashier of the Missoula (Montana) Mercantile Company, advertising manager of the Theater of Arts Monthly, New York, and direct mail manager for Charles Scribner's Sons. A graduate of the Helena (Montana) High School, he received the degree of bachelor of arts from the University of Montana, where he majored in business. He has also studied advertising at Columbia University.

### Thomas T. Holme

Major Thomas Timings Holme, assistant officer in charge of engineering at the Springfield Armory, succeeds Mr. Cody as instructor in heat engineering.

Major Holme has been an instructor in the Engineering, Science, Management, and War Program training. He has also been assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Lehigh University until 1941 when he left for duty with the United States Army.

He was instructor of algebra and calculus at the Bridgeport Engineering Institute during 1936-37. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma, American Society of Mechanical Engineering, and the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education.

He is a graduate of Frankford High School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Lehigh University, and Graduate School of Lehigh University. Major Holme holds the following degrees: Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, and Mechanical Engineer.

Waiter: All we have left is burlesque sandwiches.

Diner: What's a burlesque sandwich?

Waiter: It's a tomato without dressing.

Ration Board Clerk: What's wrong with your tires?

Applicant: The air is beginning to show through.

## Sorority Notes

### CARD PARTY

Last May, a gay card party was held by the girls of Sigma Nu Upsilon and their friends in the Oppenheimer Room of the YMCA.

Prizes excitingly wrapped by Margaret Sears and Frances Taylor were the reward of the lucky winner at each table. The room was filled to capacity and all enjoyed the creamy ice cream, crisp cup cakes, candy and nuts, which were served by the refreshment committee made up of Freda Metter and Jean Bradish.

Besides proving profitable, this affair served to reunite classmates and friends, all of whom thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

### ELECTION

The Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority met in April and elected the following officers for the 1945-46 school year:

President .....Freda Metter  
Vice-president .....Jean Bradish  
Secretary .....Marion Premont  
Treasurer .....Frances Taylor

Initiation followed and the following girls were admitted to the exalted ranks of the sorority:

Dorothy Ramey—a graduate of the High School of Commerce and employed at the Indian Motorcycle Company as secretary to the sales manager, Dot is taking the management course.

Margaret Sears—who is working in the credit department at Steiger's was graduated from Cathedral High School. Peg is taking the accounting course.

Mary Gaudreau—who is occupied as the recorder at our own Northeastern was graduated from the High School of Commerce. Mary is taking the accounting course.

Ethel Grodzin—a graduate of Classical High School is employed as an engineering draftsman at Westover Field. Ethel is in the engineering and business course.

# ANNUAL JUNE PICNIC (plus 2 red points) By Marion Premont

The day was Wednesday  
The hour Six  
When the girls of Sigma  
Picked up the sticks.

To start a fire  
For their hot-dog roast,  
And to commence to eat,  
More than toast.

We said, "Dogs and soda will certainly  
do,  
With pickles, cookies, fruit and chips,  
too."

And, of course, there was no waste.  
Because all was devoured post-haste.  
Besides being pleasing to the taste.

Some visited Barney's ancient estate  
And then, while they ate,  
Renewed acquaintances with old friends  
And enjoyed the gladness companionship  
sends.

The day ended too soon for all  
When darkness gently started to fall.  
After happy fortunes by Natalie were  
read,

And farewells regretfully said.

The committee of arrangements was  
made up of: Freda Metter, Jean Bradish,  
Frances Taylor and Marion Premont.

## Hi Pop!

Russell E. Kibbe, Jr., '48 and Mrs.  
Kibbe are proud parents of a son born  
on September 6. If you see Russell snatch-  
ing naps in the classroom, you can be sure  
he has been walking the floor all night  
crooning a lullaby.

Editor's note: The next issue of the  
Nor'easter will be a Veteran's issue. The  
office is asking students who have served  
in the armed forces to volunteer informa-  
tion regarding their experiences in the  
service.

# Editorials

## CONFIDENCE

It is a sad commentary on our times  
that so many people look with acute  
anxiety at the defeat of the Japs and the  
return home of our troops. A great deal  
of this uneasiness as to the future can be  
traced directly to the mouthings of pro-  
fessional and amateur trouble-makers,  
who wish to make our people fearful—  
to serve their own devious ends.

What we need is confidence . . . con-  
fidence in ourselves, in our democracy.

Our way of doing things made us the  
most powerful nation in the world in  
war; it can make us preeminent, also in  
peace. We must carry that truth in our  
hearts and in our heads—we must act  
upon it, as individuals, and express it.

One group that is doing so now con-  
sists of our manufacturers. They have  
confidence in America and its future, and  
they are backing it with their cash. They  
have their plans laid right now, according  
to a Department of Commerce survey, for  
a nine-billion dollar expansion program  
in the next twelve months. They are  
confident that, with government making  
available the necessary materials, they can  
solve their reconversion problems and  
prepare for maximum production and  
employment.

Their faith in their ability rests on the  
record of their proved performance in  
supplying our troops and our Allies with  
the material for victory in war. They  
can supply the material for victory in  
peace.

Let us all share their confidence.

Robert W. Hutton, '48

## WE MUST HAVE UNITY

With man's voice traveling the ether  
waves at 186,000 miles a second and ocean  
crossings only a matter of hours, the  
world has become very small indeed.

The kind of neighborhood in which we  
live matters a great deal to us. We take  
pride in our lawns, shade trees, and



streets. We join with other neighbors to enforce zoning laws, to see that sewers, water lines, electric power, and telephones are available. We do not like to have the property next door vacant, in disrepair and the lawn taken over by weeds. We do not like it at all when an undesirable family moves in to irritate us with their uncouth gaucheries. Beggars on our streets annoy us and we wish they would stay away. But the poor, the unfortunate, and the persecuted are with us, so we join to put the community chest drive over the top. We do this as a matter of self-pride and also as a matter of self-protection.

No longer can any great national neighborhood be a fine one, or even a safe one, if neighbors living on the other side of the fence are illiterate, half starved, doing work by hand at wages that mean a bare existence. Out of such conditions have come disturbances that have sent us hurrying to call the cops.

If we, among the strong peoples of the earth, are smart instead of merely selfish,

we will unite to maintain the respectability of our own neighborhoods, not by putting on a larger police force, but by helping to see to it that the folks on the other side have a chance to help themselves out of illiteracy, starvation, misery and into something that brings to them self-respect and respect for their neighbors.

So that the world may go forward, so that individuals and peoples and nations may advance, so that this war to settle just such problems may not be all for nothing, there must be unity. We owe this to humanity—and we owe it particularly to those who fought and bled and died in order that out of it might come a world neighborhood—good for all peoples to live in.

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A chip on the shoulder indicates that there is wood higher up.

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Whenever I hear of a bigamy case, it always fills me with awe.

To think of anyone brave enough to take on two mothers-in-law!

# FRESHMAN RECEPTION

Longmeadow Community House

**Saturday Evening, November 17th**

at eight o'clock

Freshmen Admitted Free

Others a charge of **60c**

**REFRESHMENTS**

Sponsored by the Student Council



# **THE NORTHEASTER**

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"In these critical years, education is not only a privilege for every young person, it is an obligation."

John Studebaker,  
U. S. Commissioner of Education

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# Annual Dinner Dance

April 27, 1946

The Annual Spring Dinner Dance is the social event of the year for all Northeasterns.

Place—Hotel Highland

Date—April 27, 1946

Time—Dinner at 6:30

Orchestra—Provided by Al Strohman

Dress—Semi-formal

Price—Only \$1.50 each

Who goes—You, your better half, and friends

Reservations—Make them early with the Student Council

Sponsors—Student Council

Every person at Northeastern should arrange to come to this gala affair. It is planned so that all will have a merry time and meet his classmates in a social atmosphere.

At this affair the important trophy of the gold "N" of Northeastern will be awarded. It will be awarded to the student or students who have contributed outstanding service to Northeastern. Last year the "N" awards were presented to Miss Eileen Griffin, Miss Jane A. Kusnierz, Paul Benoit, and Franklin Ferguson. Who will receive it this year? We'll find out April 27.

## Message to "Nor'easter" Staff and to New Students

Miss Jane Kusnierz, '46, not only the efficient editor of your Nor'easter, but at the same time one of its persistent reporters, has been at the Director of Springfield Northeastern for a couple of weeks for a word of greeting in this issue to students admitted since last September, primarily those admitted within the last month.

We have put her off with the honest

assurance that we have not had time until now (perhaps we have not time even now) to get out the message we should like to give. Actually, we wanted to know just how many folks have been received during the recent mid-year period as a sort of spring-board for our comments. As a matter of fact, we make a report as of the 25th of each month, and within as few days as possible thereafter, of our actual registration. But the one for January was not completed until the 15th of February and we now are at work on the one for the 25th of February, which latter one would have given you the exact figure you all would have been interested in. But, as the Registrar's Office could tell you, such reports are always a bit of a chore; and with the all but inundation of people so happily back from service after about the middle of September, and very particularly the real flood of inquiries in December and January and even now, we have not been able to keep abreast of necessary administrative records, to say nothing of having even at this moment exact registration files as of the 25th of February. However, the Nor'easter must go to press! Besides, we do have an approximate figure as to the numbers of our men and of others who returned from service during the Fall months and whom we were able to absorb before going too far into the semester, something short of a hundred actual applications; and we know there is a hundred in terms of those who have come to us at this mid-year period. We might add that there have been, undoubtedly, as many men who have been in for conferences; and not so many less who have written requesting information!

Greetings? We all have been thinking in our sleep for weeks about scheduling this, warning someone of that, interviewing Mr. "X", and answering Miss "Y"; checking tentative registrations against actual ones, checking the

Registrar's files against the Bursar's files; getting off as fast as we could, largely on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, data to the Veterans Administration about "V. A." trainees who have in most cases at long last been able to give us the Certificates of Eligibility and Entitlement; prodding and encouraging instructors and ourselves to get mid-year grades in and ready for the reports now forthcoming; looking ahead to commencement, thinking as to next year even while taking applications for this year, etc., etc.; and recently saying and meaning it, that we really have not time to confer with anyone about future study until at least a month from now. Yes-siree! We're glad to pause right now to tell you that we do greet heartily every new person who has joined our family in the weeks and months just passed, and that we hope to have less to do, more time to do it, including getting acquainted with you all in the months and years that lie ahead. I want to say too that as a good augury for the future we commend to you, while hoping he will not have to kill himself or be worn out by the rest of us, Robert C. Weller, Jr., his wife and "Janny" whom we expect to have with us very shortly. Mr. Weller will be our new Registrar which means, in effect, Dean of Students, i. e., he will be the man to keep you particularly reminded that life at Springfield Northeastern is both real and earnest, yet a human and happy one. You have not only our greetings in these words that have just been given, but in mention of Mr. Weller the best greeting of all. We can and do add that you always have the best wishes of the Director of this division of the University.

John D. Churchill

"What's that book?"

"What Twenty Million Women Want'."

"Yeah? Let's see if they spelled my name correctly."

## Pass C.P.A. Exam

Congratulations are in order for Mr. Louis T. Cormier, '47, Accounting, and Mrs. Louis Amtos (Ruth M. Moore) '42 Accounting, who have successfully passed the Massachusetts Certified Public Accounting Examination.

Mr. Cormier is a candidate for the B.B.A. in Accounting and has been on the Dean's List ever since he has been at Northeastern. He is employed by Fred A. Wright, Public Accountant, who is a former student of this school.

Mrs. Amtos stood at the top of her class and has been consistently on the Dean's List. She is also lifetime secretary of the class of 1942. She was formerly employed by Hatfield, Rothwell, Soule, and Coates of Hartford, Conn. and is now employed by Louis Perlysky and Company of Hartford, Conn.

## Liberty Has a Price

Even in peace the price of liberty often comes high.

American workers, under our democracy, can choose their kind and place of employment. They can lay off or quit, and no police will come to herd them off to concentration camps.

They can strike, and they do—even though the consequences may be directly felt by other millions of Americans who love their liberty, too.

Sometimes men most abuse that which they most cherish . . . There are those who, becoming "leaders," under liberty, take it to be license. They become tyrants and dictators—eventually to destroy themselves, those who trustingly follow them and liberty as well, in the end.

Power and authority become a "heady brew". Concentrated it turns

out to be corrosive, consuming . . . Have some "leaders" of today's baleful headlines 'so soon forgotten A. Hitler?

Might we not, for a change, seek for a glimpse of the good that takes refuge in the heart of man—instead of holding that all men's motives are forever evil?

Perhaps it is because, for so many years, we have told ourselves that other men are monsters—that we have begun to think we must create other monsters to exterminate them.

Let's make a start toward changing that feeling. Let's begin in our hearts to bring out the good there may be in one another.

Let's assume, for the season, that the other fellow is not altogether hard and selfish. Maybe, then, the fresh and bright New Year will justify some of our hopes.

## New Instructors

*Lieut. Robert C. Weller*

The time is so brief between the arrival of Lt. Weller at Springfield Northeastern, and the appearance of the Nor'easter that we are not able to give you a picture of the gentleman himself, nor are we able to interview him in person. However, we learn from the Director's Office that Robert Carleton Weller, Jr., of Buffalo, New York, late of the U. S. Navy, and a veteran of every landing in the Italian campaign from North Africa to France, landed safely among us the first of March. Mr. Churchill had hoped it might be a bit earlier, but Mr. Weller's tough campaigning was not over entirely with his experiences along the Apennine Peninsula. He had no more than got out of the service early in February and left for Ohio to get Mrs. Weller and his baby girl, than illness in the family delayed him. Then he became aware of the

Springfield housing shortage. Being committed, however, to serve on our front, he did his best as quickly as he could and bought a trailer and a car to bring him here and house his family until the "City of Homes" might produce a home. We wonder if all the dollars he spent for the two were washed out? We learn that he had no more than started East than he had to put back to port for a new ship. Incidentally, Mr. Churchill said Mr. Weller's first trip here cost him about \$25.00 for head gear, since some souvenir hunter picked up his uniform cap from one of our better hotel cloak room facilities.

Mr. Weller studied at both Hamilton College and the University of Buffalo, each case in the field of education. His undergraduate work, however, was done at Ohio Wesleyan University where he was very active in campus affairs, among other things, being president of the Inter-Fraternity Council, as well as standing high academically. He graduated with the class of 1943, as a bachelor of arts. His naval experience not only included Italian beach-heads where he was a junior officer in connection with the landing parties, but a year or so of administrative work largely connected with guidance with the Navy here in this country, and then preparation for more landing operations in the Pacific, which fortunately, ended with nothing more serious than skipping an ordinary harbor tug out to the Marshalls, as the war was ending. He is a Methodist, and a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity of which he was chapter president in his days at Ohio Wesleyan.

Other than academic and military background, he had some connections with life which are real and helpful in the background of a man who counsels with students. A number of years ago, he spent several months on the "line" with the Chevrolet division of General Motors. In 1937 to 1940



he was doing general office work including sales, shipping, etc., for the Buffalo Welding Supply Company. Summers of 1940 to 1942, he was on general utility work for the Empire State Ptg. Company in larger industrial plants of western New York, such as Bell and Curtiss-Wright. All of which reminds us that though he majored in education, he minored in Economics. We might add, he has a high school teacher's certificate, requirements for which were fulfilled during his undergraduate days at O. W. U.

Since he was a sailor, it would be a sad omission not to give him credit for being married. We understand he not only has a lovely wife, but a lovely girl about ten months old, and that he hopes a home will turn up in Springfield before it becomes necessary for him to get acquainted all over again with Mrs. Weller and the baby.

#### *Mr. Sidney V. Doane*

Mr. Sidney V. Doane of Longmeadow has been appointed instructor in public speaking succeeding Mr. Clarence I. Chatto who is now principal of Classical High School.

Mr. Doane began his course January 22 which is a required course for the management and accounting students.

A graduate of Springfield College in 1930, Mr. Doane received his master's degree in education from the same institution in 1933 and has been teaching English, social science and dramatics at Forest Park Junior High School, the High School of Commerce, and Technical High School. Mr. Doane is also coordinator of English in the Junior and Senior High Schools of this city.

#### *Mr. David S. Garber*

Mr. David S. Garber of Princeton Street is the new instructor in psychology for business and industry, a course which was formerly

given by Mr. Ernest Wiesle.

Mr. Garber, a native of New Jersey, graduated from Elizabethtown College, received a Master of Arts degree from Columbia University where he specialized in personnel administration and testing. He also studied sociology and psychology at the University of Southern California at Los Angeles.

Mr. Garber's work at the American Bosch is in connection with developing testing rating procedures. He has been engaged in counseling for several years in schools of Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

He is consultant in the occupational survey which is a guidance counseling course for the schools of the city and the surrounding cities. This is a survey on job opportunity and qualifications which the school department hopes to meet in selecting for the job. The course is conducted by Dr. Robert Hoppock of the University of New York.

Mr. Garber is a member of the American Psychological Association, National Vocational Guidance Association, and American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

#### *Mr. Theodore M. Chase*

Mr. Theodore M. Chase of Pineywoods Avenue, who served during the summer and fall as acting registrar, took over the pre-college course in elementary algebra at the time of Mr. Erroll L. Buker's retirement last fall. He is a teacher at Technical High School and a former teacher and principal at Westwood High School, Franklin, New Hampshire. He has taught mathematics at Hebron Academy, Hebron, Maine; New Hampton Schools, Hampton, New Hampshire; and the Huntington School, Boston, Mass.

Mr. Chase is a graduate of Milton High School, received a Bachelor of Science degree from Massachusetts State College and Master of Education from Harvard. He is a mem-

ber of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity, the National Education Association, State Teachers Association, and Schoolmasters Club.

Mr. Chase is married and lives at 167 Pineywoods Avenue. Mrs. Chase is a cousin of Frederick Bardwell, Class of 1945.

## Fraternity Resumes Activity

by E. J. Laramee '46

Alpha chapter of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity at Northeastern University was reinstituted as a fraternal and social organization of the university after a decision by students, alumni, and university officials. The formal reinstitution of the fraternity was marked by a dinner at the Sheraton Hotel on January 10, 1946.

Its membership wiped out by the demands for military service, Alpha Chapter has been inactive since the summer of 1942. The alumni, however, have maintained an informal status of the organization. The return of veterans and the presence of new students at the university has led to the decision to resume the fraternal program. At the first dinner meeting, plans were made for an initiation in March and a formal spring dance in April. New officers will be installed in May.

Committee members assisting in the revival of the fraternity are Irving Cohen '32, John M. P. O'Malley '32, Ralph Clampit '28, A. D. Simons '31, Gerald Teehan '43, Dave Miller '28, George Murphy '28, T. R. Moriarty '30, James C. Burnes '28, Lawrence Friedman '28, Ralph Jandreau '27, and Arthur Paroshinsky '27. George E. Lacoske '48 represented the present student body and Director John D. Churchill, the university.

## Epsilon Phi Sigma Notes

Interim officers elected at the first postwar get-together of Epsilon Phi Sigma were: President — Thomas Moriarty, Knight and Keeper of the Lock and Key — George Lacoske, Knight of the Exchequer—Everett Malerba, Knight of the Pen and Quill —E. J. Laramee.

A. D. Simons was appointed chairman of the alumni advisory board which will assist the undergraduate members in their undertakings.

Applications for prospective membership have been received from the following undergraduates:

Leo "J" Barnard, 21 Whittier St., Springfield; Thomas Wallace McGowan, 413 Belmont Ave., Springfield; Eugene Ernest Caradonna, 23 Dartmouth St., Springfield; Wilburt Francis Dionne 102 Marsden St., Springfield; John Michael Gaffney, 25 Park Place, Ludlow; Justin Childs Converse, 84 Allen St., Springfield; Frederick Louis Warneke, 510 Boston Road, Springfield; Edward Paul Smith, Jr., 100 Federal St., Springfield; Louis Thomas Cormier, 15 Maple St. Ludlow;

Donald Alvin Ferguson, 19 Pershing Ter., Springfield; John Quincy Adams, 14 Acme St., Springfield; Ernest Joseph Wojcik, 267 Grove St., Chicopee Falls; Charles Francis Griffin, 33½ King St., Holyoke; Thomas Francis Guiheen, 47 Davis St., Holyoke; Frank Merrill Dembski 270 Granby Rd., Chicopee; Stanley John Shimkus, Loomis School, Windsor, Conn.; Joseph P. Curran 88 Cleveland St., Springfield; Anthony Martignetti, 96 Reed St., Agawam; Leslie A. Chapin, Mt. View Ter., Woronoco.

The informal initiation took place March 8. A large committee composed of alumni and undergraduates planned a very entertaining evening for these neophytes. The alumni in

particular had that gleam of anticipation in their eyes as they flexed their right arms.

Saturday night, March 9, was the formal initiation banquet.

## Sigma Nu Upsilon Initiation

On Saturday night, February 16, the Hotel Sheraton was the scene of the freshman initiation of the girls of the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

Ten girls were admitted to the sorority at that time, after performing the feats required by the sorority by-laws.

Those who are now sorority sisters include:

### ACCOUNTING COURSE

*Shirley Anton* — who graduated from Cathedral High School and is employed as assistant bookkeeper at the L. W. Jaeger Ignition Co.

*Therese DesLauriers*—who attended Cathedral High and Holy Name High School in Chicopee, graduating from the latter. Therese is employed as cashier at the Aldenville Economy Market.

*Patricia Lawlor*—who is working as a bookkeeper at the Aetna Life Insurance Co. Patricia graduated from the High School of Commerce.

*Phyllis Samson*—who graduated from Chicopee High School and is working in the office of the F. W. Sickles Co.

*Bertha Guzek*—pre-college. Bertha graduated from Center Junior High School in Chicopee, and is employed as a detailer for the Van Norman Co.

### MANAGEMENT COURSE

*Joyce McDonald*—who is a secretary at the Monsanto Chemical Co., graduated from Commerce High.

*Gertrude Gaouette*—who graduated

from the High School of Commerce, is employed as a comptometer operator at the United States Rubber Co.

*Lorraine Caron*—who graduated from Chicopee High and Springfield Civil Service School. Lorraine is employed as secretary and office manager by Ely, King, Kingsbury and Lyman.

*Irene Kravchuck* — who attended Williams Memorial Institute, New London, Conn., Bay Path Institute, Springfield College, A. I. C. Irene is employed as secretary at Springfield College.

*Marie Gunderson*—who graduated from Holyoke High and Mass. School of Pharmacy. Marie is employed as a pharmacist for J. M. Patina, druggist.

Jane Kusnieriz acted as dinner chairman for this affair. Jean Bradish, vice-president, acting in place of the president, officially received the girls into the sorority. Marion Premont, aided by Frances Taylor and Margaret Sears, arranged the entertainment and freshmen initiation.

## Economist vs. Statistician

An economist is a man who begins by knowing a very little about a great deal and gradually gets to know less and less about more and more until he finally gets to know practically nothing about everything.

Whereas, a statistician, on the other hand, begins by knowing a great deal about a very little and gradually gets to know more and more about less and less until he finally gets to know practically everything about nothing.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Edward Hachadorian '43 and Mrs. Hachadorian, the former Helen Yelinek, are the proud parents of a baby boy born on February 5. Eddie has just returned from the Pacific and is awaiting his discharge at the Boston Navy Yard.



## Freshmen Get-Together

Marion Premont

One Saturday night in bleak November,  
Which is just as stormy as windy December,

The girls of Sigma gathered together  
In the Oppenheimer Room, despite the weather.

There we laughed and joked and played,  
And welcomed the Freshies who the storm had braved  
As refreshments were served with great array.

The cookies were delicious  
The coffee fine  
All loved the candy  
And the cakes were a veritable goldmine.

Presently the floor was cleared for play,  
And the girls jumped and kicked and rocked and swayed  
Gayly wrapped prizes were very well earned  
And delightedly received by all concerned.

We like the Freshmen and so will you,  
They're full of fun and hard workers too.  
We'll help them just as much as we can.  
And hope our friendships will continue as they began.

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Freda Metter, President, appointed the following committees to arrange for this exciting affair:

Betty Sullivan and Lorraine Sosville—Refreshments

Peg Sears and Marion Premont—Entertainment.

Prof.: "Give three collective nouns."

Stude: "Flypaper, wastebasket and vacuum cleaner."

## Reverie

Leonard S. Meyer, '51

I'm not a wise man,  
or a very smart man;  
guess I'm just about average.

But I think a lot,  
and wonder too—  
what makes it—  
that people like me and you  
can't get along as we ought to do?

Or why is it that there's war,  
and hunger and filth,  
and crime and hate and things like that  
when we all know what is right and  
what is wrong?

I wonder why.  
Do you?

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Following are extracts from a letter received recently from Lieut. Eddie Hachadourian, '44:

Finally, I have made it—Tokyo, I mean. For you see I am aboard the U.S.S. *Herald of the Morning* and anchored in Tokyo Bay.

We arrived here on the third of November, having come from San Diego by way of Pearl Harbor, and were greeted by a most magnificent sight of Fujiyama. Truly it is a picture of nature at her best. The Japanese have a right to be proud of their sacred mountain.

Our first glimpse of it was through a low-hanging mist, and only the upper snow covered half was visible as it pricked through the clouds, thus giving an appearance of a huge conical snow mound hanging from the heavens as if held by a great unseen force. As our ship ploughed nearer, the profile of the base became more distinct, as did the blending ruggedness of the coastline hills. Now the shapeless clouds seemed to shift to the left and to the right, baring this great beauty for us all to see.

We were fortunate to come from



the sea, for only from there can there be seen any beauty in Japan, the ravages of war having left a terrible stain that may not change readily with time. Our anchorage is off the city of Yokosuka, which sits on the southwesterly tip of Tokyo Bay.

My first step into Japan was as Shore Patrol Officer in this dirty city of miserable looking wretches. Undernourishment, ragged clothes, ramshackle overcrowded homes, and a general lack of necessary facilities seemed everywhere, for all that I saw here. And yet this naval base city was hardly damaged, leading me to believe that it is not too unlike its peaceful way of life. The natives seemed for the most part contented and casual.

I encountered no trouble during my patrol, and can hardly imagine how these broken-looking creatures could have caused such a menace to world civilization. But they did, and we know too well of it.

And I became angry—angry at ourselves for having been so complacent, so foolish to have let it happen. We—who have so much and are so capable and strong—are so kind and understanding and trustful and clean. They couldn't have done it to us, not these people, I thought. But they did—or nearly so. And I was puzzled.

Now we are saved and are working to prevent such things from ever happening again. Our leaders are working to save civilization from what lies beyond in Yokohama, Tokyo, and the rest. May the Lord guide us in knowing, and give courage to all to do the right.

Another officer, Ensign Jimmy Buckley from Boston, and I had leave together and went to Yokohama and to Tokyo.

The beauty can be seen only from the sea.

Broken and twisted tracks are not beauty; scarred and gutted buildings

are not beauty; overturned and rusted machinery is not beauty. Nor are the miles of rubble once mills and factories, railyards and roads, stores and homes and docks.

The hills, the clouds, the sea and the sky are unchanged, and are beautiful. There is no beauty from within. It can only be seen from the sea.

The train that carried us to Tokyo was smaller than our trains and very crowded. The millions of people commuting between these important Jap cities are forced to stand brushing and bumping one another in the open baggage-like compartments. Seats are few and meant only for the first class riders. We were fortunate to have places in a car reserved for military personnel, and it was not uncomfortable.

Along the way were dotted many small farms well under cultivation. I was surprised to see the people working these fields with old, outmoded hand methods. Perhaps that's all they ever had. It seemed so well matched with the rest. These rural people were busy, and the fields were producing the food that will keep them alive this winter. The cities impressed me differently. Though much of the wrecked area has been cleared, and it must have been done by these natives, there seems to be a tremendous waste of man hours, for people in great numbers roam the streets with nothing apparent for them to do. No one has organized them into labor battalions to clear up the many miles of wreckage.

At home black markets exist in underground secrecy. Here there are miles of operators selling their wares in the open streets with non-regulated prices that continue to soar with the demand. The people, mostly in native dress, go from vendor to vendor looking for their needs.

Our curiosity was no different

from most of the newcomers here, though it remained unsatisfied when we went to the palace grounds. Only the Japanese are allowed to pass beyond the inner sentry post, and I believe they go there for their worship. We did, however, see some of it, and what we did see was typical of Japanese architecture as you have seen it in published pictures.

## The War Years

or  
*UP IN SMOKE*

Leonard S. Meyer, Class of '51

I like to live and eat good food,  
and see nice things  
and meet good people,  
But I'm not!

I like to wear new clothes  
and have a good job  
and drive a nice car,  
But I'm not!

For I live for but the minute  
and eat cold food from dented cans,  
and all I see is a living hell  
and the people I meet I must kill.  
For things I know are not as I knew  
them—

And life and living are not the same,  
But I have ideals and hopes to come  
back for,

And come back I will—  
So get ready pal,  
Push over, make room—  
For I'm coming, and when I do;  
I'll do things right, like I said I would.

Zoo visitors: "Where are the monkeys?"

Keeper: "They're in the back making love."

Visitor: "Would they come out for peanuts?"

Keeper: "Would you?"

## We The People

The Heavens roared, the earth rumbled, and the continents shook with fear, for somewhere stood a man, his brown shirted arm raised high and straight. His eyes were lit with a demoniac fire. His voice sobbed and roared, and a country stood in humble tribute to its savior.

Seig Heil!  
Seig Heil!

A million husky voices cheered on—on—on to a new day—to a New Order. We shall establish and surpass ourselves, we shall be a new—a greater Germany—we shall make a new, a greater destiny,—we shall conquer—conquer the world!

The little man shouted on, his arms upraised, his chin high. A little fat man, with many chins, clad in a colorful uniform sat at his left. Youthful steel-coated, steel helmeted boys circled him.

But his message was not a message for Germany alone—it echoed thru the gay streets of Vienna—remember Vienna—down thru the high rugged mountains of Greece, Albania, into the narrow picturesque streets of Poland—and the world slept on.

The world senses a difficulty. Perhaps there is time—yes perhaps there is still time. Surely no one wanted war. An umbrella flew to Munich—remember Munich?!

The world was saved! Hear! Hear! the Englishmen croaked. The war has been averted. Alas, the sunshine was but for a day, the rainbow didn't appear, and Czechoslovakia disappeared, so did Poland. The lid was off,—all pretenses were gone. The stark naked truth was out. We had been lulled into a false sense of security. We knew now. We'd show them! After all, righteousness was on our side!

1939! War declared! Mad crowds cheer in London. Frenchman toast to victory. Flags are dipped in blood—Democracy on the march—Bugles

blared, bands played, drums pounded. But then a sour note appeared—DEFEAT—. Dunkirk—remember Paris—remember—Brussels, Africa a trumpet wails in the night, black crossed helmets march on. The skies are dark, and so are the hopes of men.

Mass funerals were held, burials aplenty. There was little Denmark, and rugged Norway and there was neighboring Luxembourg.

And the little man shouted — and millions cheered, today Europe—tomorrow the world—remember! New words arose. Quisling—a name that shall live in infamy as long as Democracy and freedom are cherished—Pincer, Stuka, Infiltration, Hostage!

Somewhere—somewhere out of this swirling maddening existence came a dim light,—it grew brighter and higher and a strong arms held it aloft. The arm of 130,000,000 people in one— one solid mass of humanity—humanity on the loose, civilization with its hair down.

The little man shouted on. Yellow slant eyes appeared. December 7 rose from the painted pages of the calendar and burned a searing brand into the minds and hearts of Americans.

—This was enough!—

The torch grew and grew into a blazing monument of righteousness and fair living. Fall in line, peoples

of the world—unite and arm—arm and fight—fight and win.

The little man raved on. His confidence in a German Victory is unshaken,—they are destiny's people!

Seig Heil

Seig Heil

Well, this is all part of the past. It's a stale as yesterday's news. But things and times and people have changed. We've new friends, new allies, new strength. Russia over there, China over there,—The Underground everywhere.

And through it all lived a cherished document, the greatest living document attributed to the human mind,—the Constitution of the United States of America!

"And the good book said, "Let there be light—and there was light."

And God's peoples the world over pray,

"Let there be everlasting peace and freedom."

—And it shall be.

Son: "Daddy, may I have a nickel for the old man who is outside crying?"

Dad: "Yes, but what is the old man crying about?"

Son: "'Ice cream cones, five cents'"

# ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

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Saturday Evening, April 27th

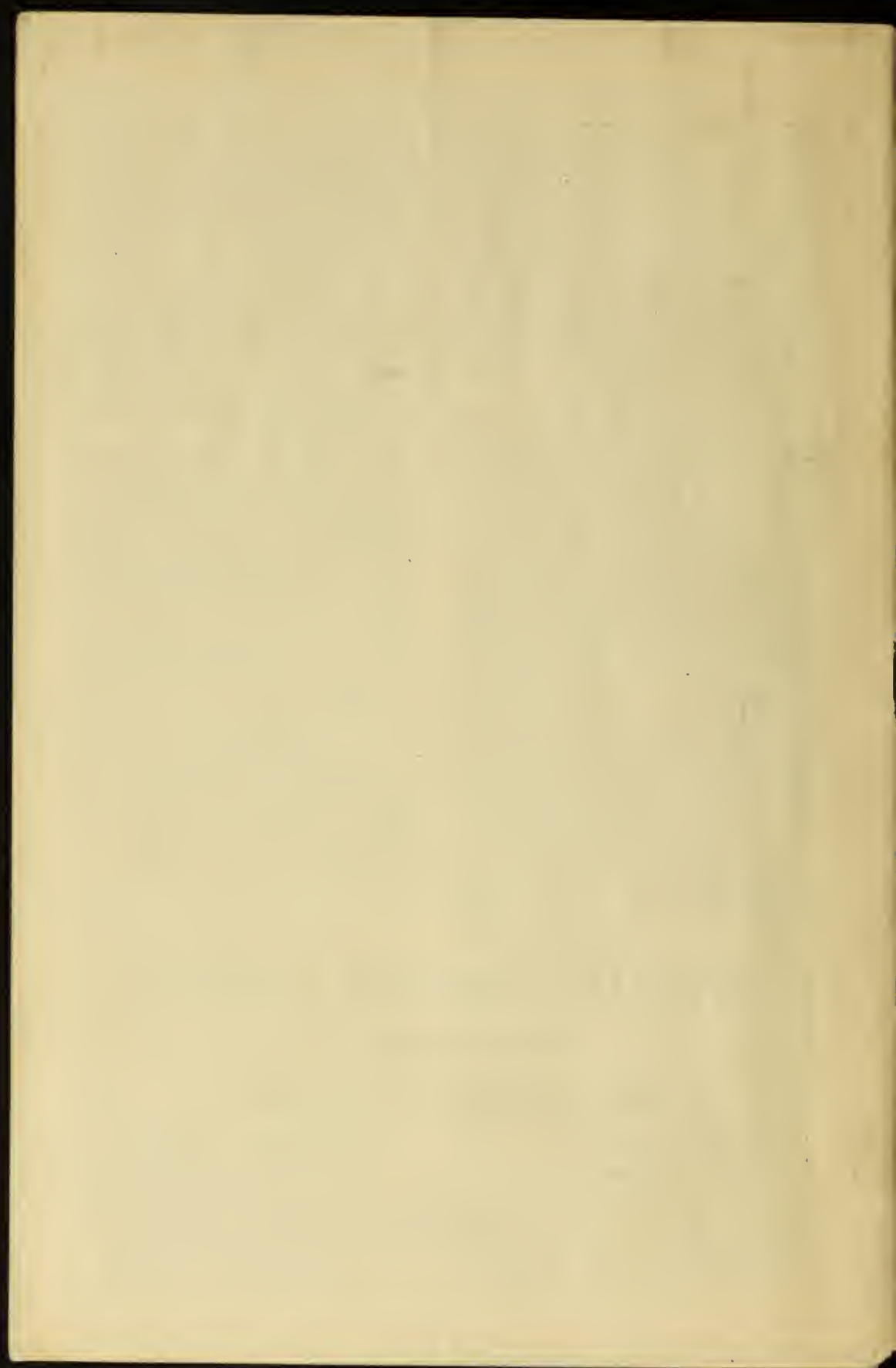
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## Enrollment Nears 800 For Next Fall

Northeastern University will have a student body of approximately 775 members in September, 1947. This represents an increase of 200 students over September, 1946.

The record enrollment will require a faculty addition of five or six instructors to augment the present staff.

The new Freshman Class will be composed of 225 students. Of this number, 90 will be enrolled in the Accounting course; 51 will study Management; and the remaining 84 will pursue the Engineering and Business program.

There will be no radical changes in the general curricula, including the Pre-College course. The accounting curriculum will include: Auditing, Income Tax, and Constructive Accounting instead of Cost Accounting and Advanced Accounting Problems. This is in keeping with the University policy of teaching these subjects in alternate years. Plans are being formulated to teach all of these subjects every year, starting with the 1948-1949 school term.

Books are now being ordered for the Fall, and no shortage of text material is anticipated.

New catalogs will be ready for distribution about the second week of June. All students are urged to visit the office and obtain a copy because the booklets will contain the registration dates, in September, for all classes.

## Dinner Dance Held On Patriots' Day

The twenty-eighth annual dinner-dance under the auspices of the Student Council was held at the Hotel Kimball on the evening of Patriots' Day, April 19.

Heintz Sherbow, president of the Council, presided at the speaking which followed the dinner. Dean Everett of the School of Business in Boston, Director John D. Churchill, and David H. Brown and C. I. Chatto spoke briefly.

The Gold "N," symbol of service to Springfield Northeastern, was presented to Bob Hutton and Louis Cormier. Both have been active in student affairs, members of the Student Council, and contributors to the Nor'easter.

Dancing was enjoyed from nine to twelve to the music of the Aristocrats. The large attendance reflected the increased enrollment during the current school year.

## Commencement Activities Begin on Sunday With Baccalaureate; Commencement June 4

The baccalaureate services of the class of '47 will be held in Faith Congregational Church on Sunday, June 1. The sermon will be given by William Spenser Beard, Newton, Connecticut, D.D., LL.D.

Dr. Beard is well known in Springfield where he was ad interim pastor years ago at First Church. He is also familiar with Springfield Northeastern through having delivered the baccalaureate address of our class of 1940. He is a retired Congregational minister with a record of notable service from coast to coast.

Commencement exercises will take place at Faith Church on Wednesday, June 4. The speaker will be William Ernest Kroll, B.S., B.D. (Union Theological), pastor of a large Presbyterian church.

Mr. Kroll is an alumnus of Pennsylvania State College, a graduate of the class of 1917 with a B.S. His seminary and graduate work was completed at Union Theological Seminary. Mr. Kroll is a human, soulful man who will deliver us a wholesome message.

Our director first heard of him as a chapel speaker before several thousand of the students at Pennsylvania State College one Sunday. He is, however, not new to Springfield and the Connecticut Valley. In the year 1920 he served Second Congregational Church in Holyoke and has a daughter graduating this June at Mt. Holyoke.

Commencement week for the seniors begins with baccalaureate service at the Faith Congregational Church, 10:45 A.M., June 1. The seniors will feel it has begun when they have their rehearsal there on the previous Thursday evening, May 29.

The next function will be class day exercises, presumably June 2. The high spot of the week for them will be Wednesday evening at 8 P.M. at Faith Church when they graduate. In addition to the message from Mr. Kroll, they will have two messages delivered to the audience by members of their own class.

The following evening at 6:30 P.M. they will join with the Alumni of Springfield Northeastern for the annual alumni dinner at the Hotel Sheraton.

The other Alumni who are apt to have been doing this before the date of the Alumni reunion, aside from attending commencement exercises and baccalaureate are '25, '20, '15, '10, 5-year classes '22, '27, '32, '37, '42.

Louis T. Cormier, Dana A. Ham, William J. Raschi, George D. Robinson, Jr., and Luke Smith have been chosen as provisional Commencement speakers. Two will be selected to appear at the exercises on June 4.

Louis Cormier is president of his class and a three-year member of the student council. He was awarded the gold "N" for outstanding service to the University at the annual dinner-dance this spring.

Dana Ham and Louis Cormier have both been recently named as registered public accountants in this state.

Both Raschi and Smith were navigators in the air forces during the war, and came out of the service as lieutenant and captain respectively.

Robinson was winner last year of the Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity scholarship award, which goes to that member of the junior class who has maintained the highest average grade in all courses since he entered the university.

## Northeastern Men Speak at Career Day

Among the twenty-two people asked to be members of a panel of counsellors for the first annual "Career Day" of Springfield high school seniors held at the Technical High School during the forenoon of May 6, were director, John D. Churchill; a present member of the faculty, Mr. Demetrius C. Pilalas; and a longtime member of the faculty, Mr. Gerald J. Callahan.

Mr. Pilalas not only is a member of our faculty but a former student of law of Springfield Northeastern, and, among other members of the faculty, under Mr. Callahan. Mr. Pilalas was counselling in terms of the business office for a lifetime service.

Mr. Callahan was counselling in the field of law. Mr. Callahan is no longer an instructor here, but it is interesting to know that of his law firm, Simpson, Clason, Callahan & Giustina, not only he, but Mr. Simpson and Mr. Clason were long Springfield Northeastern instructors.

Mr. Churchill was asked for counselling in the field of engineering.

As to what particular plans these groups have made for reunion dinners prior to joining the whole alumni body on the 5th, we do not know. This is a

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# Information for Veterans from the New England V. A.

## FORTY % IN SCHOOL

Forty per cent of all World War II veterans have applied for some form of education and training under laws administered by the VA.

Of the 5,842,290 applications received by the end of February, 5,182,523 had applied for education or training under the G.I. Bill and 659,767 for vocational rehabilitation under Public Law 16 for disabled veterans.

School and college courses accounted for 71 per cent of all trainees, while 29 per cent were in on-the-job training.

Nearly 1,750,000 World War II veterans were attending school on Jan. 31 under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (G.I. Bill) and the Vocational Rehabilitation Act (Public Law 16), Veterans Administration reported.

The number of veterans in schools increased 34,062 over the Dec. 31 totals. This increase of approximately 2 percent was one of the smallest since the program began, and reflected the approaching close of the fall term.

In three branch areas, increases in the number of veterans in school during January were reported. The decreases were Boston, 1,200; Denver, approximately 700; and Richmond, 100.

The January report showed that 1,600,393 ex-servicemen and women were attending school under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act and 112,540 were being rehabilitated under Public Law 16.

January subsistence payments to veterans in training under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act totaled about \$154,000,000, while \$21,000,000 was paid to veterans being rehabilitated under Public Law 16.

## MAY GET DRILL PAY TOO

Veterans in school and in on-the-job training programs under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (G.I.) Bill may receive drill pay as members of the National Guard without including it in their reports of estimated earnings, Veterans Administration said.

VA explained that drill pay is not considered compensation for productive labor and therefore is not counted against the subsistence allowances veterans receive from VA.

## N.E. SPENDS 232 MILLION

During the year ending December 31, 1946, the Veterans' Administration expended over \$232,000,000 in New England in the form of wages, salaries, operating expenses, and subsistence allowances, according to a recent Veterans' Administration announcement.

This figure includes tuition fees paid to colleges and universities in the area, but does not include substantial expenditures for readjustment allowances or construction.

The Veterans' Administration expenditure by individual states, and the percentage spent in each, is as follows:

Mass.	\$130,500,000	56.2%
Conn.	38,000,000	16.4%
New Hamp.	12,420,000	5.4%
Rhode Island	21,831,000	9.4%
Maine	20,420,000	8.8%
Vermont	8,840,000	3.8%

## SUMMER STUDY?

Veteran-students attending schools or colleges under the G.I. Bill and planning to transfer to some other institution during the summer are advised by the Veterans Administration to contact their training officer so that a supplemental certificate can be issued.

Prior approval of the VA is necessary for a change of institution and issuance of a supplemental certificate. The VA said that it was especially important for student-veterans to see their training officer well in advance of any planned transfer to a school or college in another state. For in addition to the request for a supplemental certificate, the student must request in writing the transfer of his VA file to the region in which the summer school is located.

Veteran-students planning summer courses at the institution they are now attending do not need a supplemental certificate, but must notify their training officer so subsistence allowance will be continued. Subsistence payments for students are set up by the VA to stop at the end of the present school year.

## SCHOOL PLUS JOB

Veterans in full time employment, and also attending school under the G.I. Bill, are entitled to subsistence allowance from the Veterans Administration, if they satisfy necessary requirements of the VA.

Veterans in full time employment who are entitled to part time subsistence must receive less than \$175 per month, if they have no dependents, or less than \$200 per month, if they have dependents, from their regular employment. At the same time they must attend a school of collegiate level for at least two semester hours a week or any other VA accredited school for at least six clock hours a week.

## MASS REGISTRATION

It is the hope of the Veterans Administration Public Relations office that the larger New England schools consider seriously the plan of Mass Registration.

With the expectation of a high peak in school registration activity in September, Charles S. Rising, New England Veterans Administration's director of vocational rehabilitation and training, said that the mass registration scheme will prove itself in saving enor-

mous number of man-hours and expediting subsistence payments to veterans.

Under this plan a large group of veterans is assembled at the school and asked to complete essential forms ordinarily filled in VA regional offices.

Rising said that wherever this plan was adopted, the payments of subsistence allowances and the performance of allied services to the veterans was greatly expedited. And, at other schools there were inevitable delays. Most of the complaints to the VA originated in those schools where this plan was not in use.

It is unlikely that this mass registration plan would be adopted at Northeast because of the limited facilities for handling new veterans, and, also because of the inconvenience of assembling students.

The plan used here to register present students for next year is not dissimilar, except that it is done in classrooms and not in a single meeting place.

## THAT G.I. INSURANCE

The Veterans Administration Branch Office in Boston has recently announced that more than 13,500 New England veterans applied for conversion of their National Service term life insurance to permanent plans during the month of February alone. This represents a substantial contribution to the national February conversion total of approximately 94,000, an all time high. Surely these figures speak for themselves. More and more vets are realizing every day that it is to their advantage to maintain their National Service term insurance and to convert it as soon as possible. No other insurance offers so many benefits to individuals.

National Service Life Insurance was offered by our government to members of the armed forces because of the high risks of war, resulting in financial losses to an untold number of families.

Due to the low pay in the armed services at the time the Insurance Act was passed in 1940, it was necessary to furnish this insurance at the lowest possible cost. For service men and women with dependents and for those who could not afford permanent insurance, this G.I. insurance is one of the finest plans of protection ever devised. However, as the name implies, term insurance has only a definite term to run and does not build up any cash or loan value. This is why we advise immediate conversion to one of the six permanent plans. Term policies dated before January 1, 1946, have eight years to run from date of issue, while policies dated since January 1, 1946, have five years to run from date of issue. When these terms expire, such insurance must be converted to permanent insurance if the vet desires to remain insured.

The United States Government now



offers six types of permanent insurance plans; namely, ordinary life, 20 payment life, 30 payment life, 20-year endowment, endowment at the age of 60, and endowment at the age of 65. The first three types of insurance all have the distinctive advantage of cash, loan, paid up, and extended insurance values, one year from the date that such policies are in effect. Furthermore, the cash equity in such policies after one year can be borrowed against at the rate of 4% interest. Endowment policies pay the face value at maturity—in cash or monthly payments ranging from three to twenty years. If the insured dies before maturity date the face value will be paid to the beneficiary. Every vet who has not already done so, should investigate each of the six permanent plans in order to judge for himself which type is most advantageous to him financially and in all other ways.

Vets who have permitted their policies to lapse have through August 1, 1947, to reinstate them, usually without a physical examination, if they certify that they are in as good health as they were at the time of lapse of their policy. In addition, vets are now able to reinstate their lapsed term policies and to convert to permanent insurance by paying only two months' premiums, one term premium and one policy premium. Veterans who never took out government insurance and then applied for it after discharge were formerly required to take out term insurance and hold it for a year before converting. Now this insurance can be converted at any time.

The vet who has been paying his premiums regularly and on time is naturally annoyed if his official acknowledgment of receipt is not always forthcoming. However, he need have no fear that his policy is not in force, but he should always retain evidence of payment, such as cancelled checks, money order stubs, etc. The task of assembling all insurance records in the proper V.A. Branch Office area and establishing individual files is so tremendous that there are naturally bound to be slip ups in the services of mailing receipts and notices.

National Service Life Insurance offers so many advantages to the veteran that one cannot help but point out that he is losing a great deal if he does not carry on his government insurance. In brief, the advantages are as follows: lower premium costs, higher cash values, easy reinstatement after loss, easily converted while under premium waiver, plans are easily changed, no restrictions, waiver of premiums without cost during continuous total disability of six or more months, creditor-proof, higher installments to beneficiaries, and attractive disability benefits.

Can any veteran honestly not afford the conversion of his National Service Life Insurance?

#### PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

Physical examinations given during February to Mass. veterans totaled 17,218, of which 4,002 were for veterans

seeking VA compensation awards for service-connected disabilities, according to Dr. Stephen J. Dalton, chief medical officer.

Approximately 35,660 medical and dental treatments were given veterans during the month and 8,842 prescriptions were filled. X-ray examinations were given 1,644 veterans, and 912 others received 6,830 physical therapy treatments.

#### \$64 QUESTION

"Can dependent claim a dependent":  
"Yes."

Example: A husband and wife, both veterans, have one child. The parents go to school under the G.I. Bill as both are entitled to subsistence allowance. The husband, as the family's nominal breadwinner, names his wife as his dependent, so he is entitled to \$90 monthly subsistence.

The wife names their child as her dependent and also is entitled to a \$90 a month allowance. Of course, neither can be scaled.

What more can we veterans ask for? We can get married, have children, go to school, hold a job and collect money from the government. What a setup.

#### USE IT ALL

Veterans, when in doubt about any training or schooling problems, go to your VA. They will help you in every way possible, and it will be to your benefit, as the writer knows.

Your problems are their problems. They will work them out very fast, and correct too.

#### PLAY FAIR

When a veteran receives a check for subsistence after he has quit training for any period of time in which he has not been in training, the check should be returned to the Veterans Administration, that agency has advised.

Failure of a veteran to return an unearned subsistence check could lead to legal difficulties for the veteran, the VA added.

#### ASK THE V.A.

Veterans who have completed successfully a course of training under the GI Bill may use the remaining portion of unused entitlement to pursue another training program. These veterans should request a supplementary Certificate of Eligibility form the VA.

## NU Briefs

Thomas F. Guihean, '50, was chairman of a semi-formal dance held at the Roger Smith Hotel in Holyoke on April 11, 1947, by the Elmwood Lodge of Holyoke. About two hundred couples attended.

Ray Robillard is the very proud father of twins, one boy and one girl. Not long after the happy event Ray bought a house in Holyoke—he had to!

Charles Gervicas, '52, has a new son born at the Holyoke Hospital March 22, 1947. Weight six pounds, ten ounces.

## Mistaken Identity?

By Leonard S. Meyer

It was raining — a miserable, cold, unrelenting, penetrating rain that got into one's bones—even under the finger tips.

My feet splashed in the water and my shadow shimmered away into the distance like a giant being stretched out between two lampposts.

I splashed by fifteen lampposts. I counted them as I walked, to keep my mind off the rain . . . who invented the damn stuff anyway? . . . and upon reaching the sixteenth post I stopped, fumbled around for a match. Suddenly it became dark—the lights—all of them, from one end of the street to the other, went out. It was dark—really dark—and that cold, miserable rain kept falling.

I took out a match—tried to light my cigarette, and noticed a car coming from the far end of the street. Its two round eyes cutting perfect circles in the darkness and the mist, its motor low and menacing. Its tires made a swishing noise as they passed. Almost in front of me—not more than ten feet away — the rear door opened and I heard a dull, heavy splash! A lighted cigarette arced through the air and hissed its life away in a puddle. . . . A mesh of gears—once again the menacing roar of the motor and then silence—except for the dripping of rain upon wet pavement.

I let my unlighted cigarette drop from my lips and moved from my vantage point to see what was there in the darkness.

I walked cautiously to the place where the sound had come from and almost stumbled over the discarded object—a body!

Never having been known as a terribly courageous individual, I hurriedly reversed my course and stumbled my way home. . . .

Upon arising the next morning I went to the porch to pick up my morning paper. I had momentarily forgotten the previous night's incident when I opened the paper and read the headline which screamed across the front page. "Alfred Hartley Found Murdered. Body Discovered in Street near Oak Grove Forest."

This extremely upset me, for, you see . . . I am Alfred Hartley. . . .

## Gay Mary

Hi Kids! Here I am again, just as I promised. Remember? I'm completely recovered from my injuries. You might call me a "NEW" person with the "OLD" personality. How do you like school? Fine? How do I like school? Well, I'll tell you. I'm all in a whirl right now. We just had our second test. I wrote and wrote and wrote (that's always the case in Mr. Brown's class, so I've been told) but what I put on paper I can't recall. Have I your sympathy? I really crammed for that test. Why, the



night before I stayed up until 2 o'clock trying to decipher why the OPA ever came into existence. (It's gone now, so why worry. Right?) I'll tell you when I get the answer, though.

My mother saw the light under the door and when she knocked I was so startled the light went off by itself. Are you afraid of ghosts? I'm not, but I couldn't convince the ethereal form at the foot of my bed. Besides, my mother's no ghost. Well, to get back to my test it seems as if we always have one at the wrong time. You know how it is. Just the week when something especially good turns up and you can't refuse. Dick wanted me to go dancing and I wanted to go—so? Well, I didn't count on the way the Economics book would feel. It's a very revengeful creature, as you probably know.

The test consisted of only two questions but the a's and b's seemed to stretch it like a rubber band and before I was finished I must have answered 10 gigantic brain twisters. Economics I isn't a snap course—take my word for it—I ought to know. Oh, well, smile and the world smiles with you. That's my motto. But, heck, what good are smiles? Do you know I practically missed that test. Wouldn't that have been a disaster? I worked late at the office. It was the end of the month, statements and such, and Jean's restaurant was terribly crowded. The waitress was looking in my direction, but that's all it amounted to—a look. When a very stout woman shoved down the remainder of her huge hunk of chocolate cake and scrambled for the door, I grabbed her seat. At last, I breathed in a final sigh of relief. It's the way you feel when you're the last person the bus driver reluctantly squeezes into his crowded bus. Oh joy! Now for some food was my next thought. You know the stuff you eat to live or live to eat. Truthfully, I'm in the latter category. I scanned the menu and chose my favorite meat, pork chops. Do you like them? Yum! Yum! The waitress appeared and took my order.

About 20 minutes later when I was impatiently yearning for my supper, the waitress made her second appearance. But, oh murder. Do you know what happened? Yes—a collision occurred and my pitiful little pork chop lay strewn in the dust—beyond repair anyway. Well, that meant another twenty minutes. "Maybe I better check and see what time it is," I said. "Oh my goodness, ten minutes of seven." "Waitress, waitress," I yelled, "you'd better bring me a ham sandwich." What a gyp, don't you think. After hurriedly gulping down my scanty supper, I ran across the street to school. Yes, I climbed the stairs as the second bell rang. I flung off my bulky coat, scooped up the ink bottle and dashed for my seat. Whew! that was close. Mr. Brown was just calling my name right then. I buckled down to a tough test just so you won't be worried, I'll break the suspense and tell you, I passed. So you'll see me around — you lucky people! I

## Pi Tau Kappa Active

Under the leadership of President Paul Thelig Pi Tau Kappa is enjoying a prosperous postwar season. In three of the meetings the following Northeastern men were initiated into the fraternity:

David C. Cummings	E.&B.	'51
Norman J. Cartmill	Acct.	'50
Walter Uhlman	Mgt.	'50
Wm. J. Kriemendahl	E.&B.	'50
Leo J. Bousquet	E.&B.	'50
Donald S. Bentley	Acct.	'50
Howard Brandt	E.&B.	'51
Clayton R. Bohannon	Acct.	'51

Aside from the above business, the PTK schedule has had several social functions beginning with the summer dance held in August, 1946, and will be highlighted by the Annual Competition and Dinner Dance held on May 10 at the Crown Hotel, Providence, R. I. At this meeting Springfield's Delta Chapter degree team endeavored to maintain its hold on the placque annually given to the chapter having the best attendance at meetings and presenting the ritual in the most effective manner. Several candidates were taken to Providence at this time where they were duly sworn in.

In midfall and early winter 1946 on two different occasions challenges were received by the PTK bowling team from Epsilon Phi Sigma. Both were accepted. Nothing has since been heard from Epsilon Phi Sigma. 'Nuff said.

## Springfield Northeastern

Three cheers for Northeastern, the school of my choice!  
I'll be loyal forever and always rejoice  
That of all great colleges this one is mine

A proud alma mater in future time.

Yes, we're all quite ready to point with pride

At a school where we all stick side by side

With cooperation and learning our motto true

Hats off, Northeastern, to you!

They come from near, they come from far

Northeastern's scholars all

To walk the road of learning's path

Each season: spring, summer, winter and fall.

Let each one of us then utter "Thank you!"

In all we do and say,

And forever keep in our innermost heart

A favored place for Northeastern today.

wish this column was much longer because I have so much to tell you about work and play, you know.

So, I'll be seeing you,

Gay May.

## New Council Named

Members of the Student Council for 1947-48 have been elected.

For many years this group has been named by the faculty to aid the administration of Springfield Northeastern. In recent years five of the members have been named to the council by popular vote of members of the regular Northeastern study body in the Division. The results of the poll completed and tabulated on May 9, 1947, are as follows:

Edward M. Bidwell, '48, Robert W. Hutton, Jr., '48.

George S. Jackson, '49, James B. Kelley, '49, Marion F. Premont, '49, Martin J. Sawa, '49.

Leo J. Bousquet, '50, Michael Gonzalez, '50, Thomas F. Guiheen, '50.

Donald S. Bentley, '51, Thomas E. Courtney, '51, Patricia A. Lawlor, '51, Herbert A. Pace, '51.

Robert B. Crocker, Jr., '52, Anna O. Lamoureux, '52, Charles F. Packard, '52, Irving Frank Waite, Jr., '52.

Robert W. Hutton was chosen president of the Council for the school year of 1947-48 at a meeting held last Friday, May 23.

Other officers elected were Leo Bousquet, vice-president; Marion Premont, secretary; and James B. Kelley, treasurer. This promises to be a most efficient board for the administration of student affairs during the next school year.

## Support The Council

We have a new Student Council and new officers. Both members and officers have been distinguished for their genuine interest in the affairs of Springfield Northeastern, and for constructive action in its behalf. The outlook is bright for next year.

But no Council, however efficient, can accomplish very much if it does not have the support of the student body. Too often in the past real enthusiasm on the part of the Council has been quenched by the indifferent attitude of the rank and file. Good speakers have been brought to the school, but the meetings, though worthwhile and well-advertised, were but meagerly attended. Movements for the improvement of the school have been initiated, but fell short because of the lack of interest shown by the very persons they were intended to benefit.

Let us give the Council and all its activities our unhesitating and unlimited support next year, beginning with the annual freshman reception and continuing throughout the year.

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matter handled through the secretaries of the various classes.

The presence of all undergraduates, alumni and their friends is not only welcomed but urged at baccalaureate, very specially at commencement. Tickets are necessary but available upon request to the Administrative office for commencement exercises.



# Registration Flood Passes Six Hundred Mark As Veterans Return

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### Do You . . . ?

A few "Do You Knows" about your council.

Do you know—that the council plans and promotes the Harvest Reception and Dance and the Annual Spring Dance.

Do you know—that the council assists as commencement.

Do you know—that the council selects and awards the "N" pins.

Do you know—that the council is the middleman between the administrative offices and the students in problems that arise.

Do you know—how the council is elected. Five by the students and ten by the faculty with the approval of the dean.

Do you know—that the Student Council is the watchdog for the student activity fund. This fund is the two dollars set aside for student benefits. From this fund the council allocates the amount to be set aside for the school paper and the two dances. Also, to see that the students get the maximum benefits from this fund.

Do you know—that one of the aims of the Student Council is to serve fairly and equally the interests of the entire student body; also, to assist the university in acquainting the student body with existing university rules and regulations and to coordinate its activities with those of the university, in order to insure a high educational standard at all times.

Do you know—that the council interests itself in all matters which are for the good of the students and the university.

Do you know—that the officers and members of the Student Council are: Robert W. Hutton, Jr., President, '48; Leo J. Bousquet, Vice-President, '50; Marion F. Premont, Secretary, '49; James B. Kelley, Treasurer, '49; Robert B. Crocker, Jr., '52; Anna O. Lamoureux, '52; Charles F. Packard, '52; Irving Waite, Jr., '52; Donald S. Bentley, '51; Thomas E. Courtney, '51; Patricia A. Lawlor, '51; Herbert A. Pace, '51; Michael Gonzalez, '50; Thomas F. Guiheen, '50; George S. Jackson, '49; Martin J. Sawa, '49; Edward M. Bidwell, '48.

### Old-Timers Come Back To Springfield Northeastern

Time has passed, four full years since we last attended Northeastern! The war had side-tracked our push for a degree in specialized fields. As we take inventory of our potential abilities, we realize again the need for further education. However, we are hesitant, so much time has elapsed; we'd just be old-timers not requiring the full course, not a familiar face around us.

But the urge carried through and we came back to Northeastern, expecting to feel out of place. What a pleasant surprise! A high percentage of the "Old-Timers" are back again—ready to finish-up. So here we are reading the bulletin board, catching that last puff from a newly lighted cigarette, and dashing off to class. Nothing has changed—the clock has turned back to our yesterday—at least it has here at Northeastern—just waiting for us old-timers to come back and finish-up.

### Enrollment Reaches Record High Figure

Springfield Northeastern can point with pride to the figures for the current year which reflect a total enrollment of 620 candidates for university degrees.

At no time in the history of the local school has there been such demand for the benefits of a higher education. Even the years when the school, noted for its law division, enjoyed heavy registrations, could not match the present flood tide of registrations which tax the school's facilities.

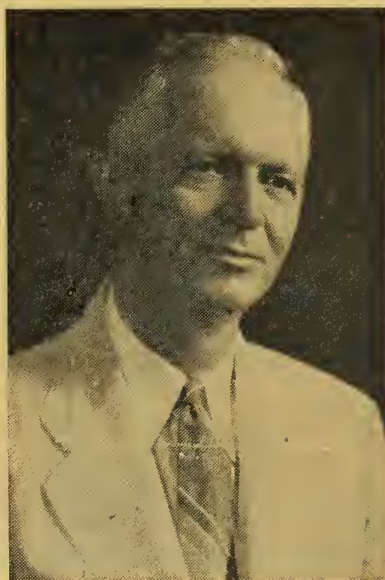
Students who have been running the gamut of "locomotion", to composition, to commerce, and counselling; from Brown, to Chatto,

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#### A SENIOR'S DREAM

It seems too good to be true,  
To know that soon I'll be all through.  
All these past years I've studied and crammed,  
Until I thought my brain was jammed.  
But now with just one year to go,  
My head feels light; I'm all aglow.  
I'll celebrate and sing with glee,  
When I'm presented with my degree.

### Student Council Announces Annual Reception and Dance



### Director Churchill Extends Greetings

Editors are never reporters. Oh, no! They live in a rarefied atmosphere of literary excellence and ethereal philosophy and never do the business of gathering news as it falls to reporters. Miss Premont '49, the editor of the "Nor'easter" last year, perhaps is starting to "double in brass" this year because it was she, no less, who called at our office for a bit of a story for this issue of the "Noreaster" in the nature of greetings to all undergraduates for the year 1947-1948. Well, that is as it should be: we hope that all our Northeastern men and women are not only distinctly good for something but many things.

It is ever a pleasure to greet Northeastern people whether alumni or undergraduate, and undergraduate whether upper classmen or lowly freshmen. To alumni and upper classmen, it would always be greetings; to freshmen, and those who may be new by transfer, there is all that the word greetings might imply but we would rather put it, welcome to rigorous academic ap-

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If you're hep to the jive; on the beam;  
In the groove—solid, we mean;  
Here's the dope and we hope you'll agree:  
We're cookin' with gas—Yes Sirree!  
Or perhaps you are refined and sedate;  
With polish—poise and smooth gait;  
We inform YOU politely you see,  
Because we hope you too will agree  
If you'd like to carouse  
With the carousiest people,  
Revel, and dance and be gay;  
If you'd care to acquaint  
Yourself with good fellows—  
And gals with a capturing way;  
Then come to your dance,  
You'll have a great time.  
The cost to all Freshmen—  
A few shiny dimes.

We're speaking of course of the Annual Freshman Dance. In keeping with custom, the university and the Student Council present this autumnal affair as a social salute to new students. It is looked forward to by the upper classmen as an adventure which will produce many new acquaintances and begin many lasting friendships.

An added anticipation this year will be the parade of the latest in Vanity's voguery, the elongated skirt—a terrific letdown.

Everybody'll be there. All those guys whose elbows you've met in

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### Welcome, Freshmen

Every September brings to Northeastern University, Springfield, a new group of students all eager in the pursuit of their education. The student body of the University extends to this class a most cordial welcome. May you not only satisfy your desire for a higher education but may you find the fellowship that is typical of Northeastern. The faculty of the University is more than well equipped to fortify you for your needs of tomorrow. May your six years at the University be pleasant and fruitful.

Freshmen, — — — welcome.



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## GROWING PAINS

Springfield Northeastern has a record enrollment of over 600 students. This growth is wonderful and the management of the school is to be congratulated.

This growth is due to "word of mouth" advertising—the best and healthiest form of advertising. It is caused by students who are enthusiastic about their school. The faculty is also an important reason for the growth of any college. No school could make progress without an enlightened and enlightening faculty.

With this growth, comes responsibilities and the school must be *big* enough to cope with them. Will it be able to keep up with its rapid growth? I think it can!

One of the first problems is a tough one. I believe the traffic situation is one to which great thought should be given. The crowded corridors are not only unhealthy but dangerous. Let's see what can be done to correct this.

## NORTHEASTERN TEAMS

Little time is available to those attending Springfield Northeastern for social activities. Most students find it necessary to minimize their contacts even with those within the closest circle of friendship. An occasional visit to the theater, possibly a Saturday night dance, or the likelihood of having to apply every spare moment doing the numerous home chores that seem unending is the lot of the Northeastern student.

The hours for class and home study preclude sports participation, except that which may be indulged in briefly, such as bowling. And the hours of freedom are so crowded by the many other things to be done that there are many who haven't seen a sports event, let alone partake in one, since becoming engaged in the pursuit of education.

Now with the increased enrollment, there is a likelihood that a good percentage could find it possible to attend a sports event. And this could be given impetus by announcements of such events appearing on the bulletin board. Surely it would be in order to inform the student body when the Northeastern football team is coming from Boston to play a nearby college. What an excellent opportunity to foster the realization within the student body, that although they are attending school in Springfield, they are really members of a large educational institution.

## A Second Chance

With colleges and universities throughout the United States reopening their doors for the school year, thousands of young men, veterans of World War II, are taking advantage of a second chance to receive a college education. I like to think of it as a second chance, because many of these young men, either for lack of money or motivation, passed up a higher education after leaving high school. The effect of war, however, seems to have strongly influenced their attitudes toward further education. Now, because of the benefits available under the popularly termed "G. I. Bill of Rights", these men have discovered that the tuition problem no longer exists; and that, coupled with a stronger motivating influence resulting from war conditions with their speeding up of living have impressed upon these young people the importance of becoming better equipped through education to find and realize their am-

bitions in this world of ever increasing competition.

The men who drafted the "G. I. Bill of Rights" and enacted it into law must have been looking ahead when they wrote into it the educational benefits provision. What better method could have been adopted for insuring and promoting our future high standards of living than one which would provide our country with trained men at a time when they will be greatly needed.

Northeastern University, not unlike other institutions of higher education, has felt the influx of the G. I's. The greater number of students attending our school is made up of these veterans who are grasping this SECOND CHANCE.

Bob Hutton, rumors have it, is now a property owner. . . . George Lacoske travels ninety miles a day, twice a week to continue his education at Northeastern. Isn't that something? George lives in Meriden, Connecticut now and is employed by the Capitol Oil Burner Company.

## Editor Takes Frosh On NU Tour

Are you all set for a tour of Northeastern? I bet you're a Freshman this year. **RIGHT!** You're *just* the one we were waiting for. So, now we can start. This street we are all congregated on, is Chestnut Street. A restaurant or two, the Barber shop, and the Oriental rug dealer's are the sights you can see over on the left side of the street. Right here in front of us is Northeastern, our destination. What are all those fellows doing standing outside the doorway? Oh, they're some of the students just talking before class. No, really they're not trying to prevent us from entering. All right, are we all safely inside now? It's just two flights up. We don't have any weaklings here, I hope. What classes are you taking, by the way? I know you'll enjoy them. There, that wasn't very far, was it?

Thank you for opening the door for me! O-Oh, hello, Mr. Chapin. This is the bookstore where we can buy all the books, supplies, and even candy, we may desire. Mr. Chapin is very helpful and he has a charming smile, too. See those papers tacked on the board underneath the clock! That's the bulletin board. We get all our information about classrooms, tests (Oh Horrors!) business openings, and anything else you can think of, just by reading what is posted there. Yes, that door does lead to the registration office where Mr. Weller probably put you through all the paces of enrollment. The director's office is just opposite. He isn't in right now. But, you can see his picture on the front page of this issue. Mr. Churchill is very busy but he'll always find time to help you if you so desire.

Would you like to see a few classrooms? The ones on this floor are prefixed with an A. The ones on the second floor have a B in front of the number. Did you know that Northeastern has a Sorority and two Fraternities? The Sorority Room is at the end of the corridor to your left. Yes, the Faculty do meet in that room so marked. This room (the Sorority, I mean) is just for the girls. You can see it was just re-painted prior to school opening. If you arrive early for class, it's a grand place to relax. There isn't any crowding with that large mirror either. The Fraternities are Phi Tau Kappa and Epsilon Phi Sigma. All three clubs sponsor various activities during the school year. Watch for them.

Let us retrace our footsteps now, and walk down another corridor. Naturally, there are more classrooms lining each side. That double door leads to the library. If you happen to forget your text book some night, you can borrow a copy for the night

from the library. There are many magazines in the rack that I know you have wanted to read, too. Yes, there used to be a law school here. Those law books were really used a good deal then.

Oh dear! There's the first bell. That's a warning one. Everyone has to be in his seat by the time the second one rings. I forgot to tell you about the student council and the school paper (which you're reading). The student council has about 15 members. Five are elected directly by the student body and the remainder are chosen by the faculty which takes all qualifications into consideration. The student council plans social affairs every year and serves as a bridge between the entire student body and the management of the school. Its members are working for you. The school paper is the combined effort of all students. So, whether you're a freshman or a senior send in your contributions. I'll really have to be leaving you now because my watch keeps moving. I'd better not be late and you'd better not either. That's your classroom over there. Good-bye now. We'll be seeing a lot of you around.

## It's a Long Grind, But It's Worth It

How many times, as we walk or ride to school on a dark wintry evening, do we ask ourselves "\_\_\_\_\_?"

It's a tough grind, three nights a week for six long years. When the assignments are heavy; when we're rushed at the store, office, or factory; or when domestic duties become pressing this question comes to mind. During April and May when studying is difficult and we're counting the days until that last exam, we're sure to ask, "Is it worth it?" Do you suppose there was ever a Noreaster who didn't at some time, just for a moment, wonder?

School life does have more pleasant aspects. There is satisfaction in learning new things, mastering new subjects and seeing credits build up toward the final goal. Although our social life is limited, we make many friends at school. It's fun to renew old acquaintances in the fall and to make new ones. The people of Northeastern, faculty and students alike, are working people. Exchanging experiences is interesting and beneficial. Don't all these things more than outweigh the effort that is required? I for one, believe it is worth it.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dinnie have a new addition to their family. Her name is Karen Dinnie and she weighed 6 lbs. at birth August 14, 1947 in the Wesson Memorial Hospital.



## Reception and Dance

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the corridors; that slick chick by the window who reminds you of . . . Why, even the sober faculty has a happy faculty of attending.

Who can foresee? Perhaps one night next May will be easier to bear because of an acquaintance made at the Freshman dance. Who knows? Even Cupid may score. To those future members of the school's fraternities and sorority, this is a fine proving occasion.

Before we forget, the time is Saturday, November 1, at six p. m. That's when the smorgasbord begins. If you've never partaken of a smorgasbord, you have a treat waiting you. And the Hotel Highland is the place.

There'll be dancing, of course, from eight o'clock until midnight, to the tunes of "The Aristocrats"—producers of lively rhythms, and nostalgic waltzes.

Space prohibits dealing with trivial details. So we won't mention prices.

You still have several days ahead, so engage your favorite baby-sitter, get the skirt hem lowered, polish up the best foot, and come early. We'll be looking for you. We'll all have a grand time, especially if we can get to know all you new folks.

As for you upper classmen! Ahem! Well! You want to do your part to make the dance a success and to truly welcome our new friends, DON'T YOU? Then, we know you'll be at the Hotel Highland on November 1, before 6 o'clock.

## N. U. Library Offers Many Advantages

Freshmen and "Uppers", let's get acquainted—with the Northeastern Library.

Undoubtedly you have noticed the arrow in the bookstore show case pointing the way to the room. Not only is there information in there, but also the past tests and exams for the last three or four years. Yes, many of the questions on previous exams are asked on your quizzes and final tests so if you can pass the exams on file, don't worry about test nights.

The hours are arranged for the convenience of the student by having the library open at 6 P. M. one hour before class, and closed at 10 P.M. allowing an hour of review or preparation for the next class. The librarian on duty Saturday or Sunday afternoon always welcomes guests. Why not arrange to do some of the home work during either or both of these afternoons in the atmosphere of a school library?

## Northeastern Greets New Instructors

There are several additions to the Northeastern faculty this year and for the benefit of the students we present a brief biography of these new instructors.

Mr. David Nickerson is a graduate of Quincy High School and also the Browne and Nichols preparatory school. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Bates College where he majored in economics and received his Master's degree in Business Administration from the Graduate School of Business at Harvard University. During the war Mr. Nickerson saw service as a naval officer. At the present time he is employed by the Gilbert and Barker Manufacturing Company as a senior accountant. He will teach the course in business economics during the present school year. Mr. Nickerson is married and resides in Springfield.

Mr. John E. Sutcliffe is a graduate of Kingston, Pennsylvania High School and Wyoming Seminary. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Lehigh University where he majored in Greek and English. Mr. Sutcliffe, who is a Phi Beta Kappa, was also a student at the General Theological Seminary. During the recent war he served as a naval officer. For several years he has been employed by the Baldwin-Duckworth division of the Chain Belt Company and at present is personnel manager for the company. Mr. Sutcliffe, who is married and makes his home in Springfield, will teach the course in business English.

Mr. William E. Toth, who will teach the course in intermediate accounting, saw service during the war in the budget section of the United States Army. He is a graduate of Torrington, Connecticut High School and studied at Bay Path Institute. A graduate of American International College, he received his Master of Business Administration from the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania. At the present time Mr. Toth, who is a certified public accountant, is a partner in the public accounting firm of Cushing, Pilalas & Toth. He has a C. P. A. degree from the State of Massachusetts.

Mr. Cantwell, a graduate of Classical High School and Springfield College, is instructor in credits and collections. He is at present the manager of the coke department of the Springfield Gas Light Co. and before that its credit manager. Mr. Cantwell makes his home in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Henry is a graduate of West Springfield High School and has a bachelor of arts from Colgate University where he majored in economics. He is the instructor of

sales principles and sales management. During the war he was a naval lieutenant in connection with communications, and previous to that had been in the sales training work for Vick Chemical Co. He is now assistant to the advertising manager of the U. S. Envelope Co. Mr. Henry makes his home in West Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Lieson is not entirely new. He did a very fine emergency job of substituting last year and the qualities of personal character and business experience and academic background which are his prompted us to wish for him permanently. As a result we have him this year as the regular instructor in marketing. Mr. Lieson is a Springfield boy, graduate of Classical High School, with a bachelor of arts and a master of commercial science degree from Dartmouth and the Tuck School of Business Administration, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He was also in the Navy as a supply officer. Previous to that he had been an investment statistician at the Union Trust Company and credit and loaning officer; and now is an assistant vice president. He is a member of the American Economic Association.

Mr. Ewing, who lives at RFD No. 1, Easthampton, Massachusetts, is a graduate of Easthampton High School. He attended Cornell University and majored in Civil Engineering. His major at Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, New York was Electrical Engineering. His Bachelor of Arts Degree was obtained from New York University and his Master of Arts from Columbia University. He is, at present, a project engineer at the East Springfield Plant of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Ewing is a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Tau Beta Pi Fraternities. At Northeastern Mr. Ewing is instructing in Chemistry.

## It Won't Be Long!

The summer is gone and autumn is here

That means school books and football cheer

Peanuts and popcorn, colored leaves, Which fairies cause, a little tot believes.

Back to Northeastern with pen and ink

For these are the things that make us think

Of learning's gateway open wide, And we hurry so we can get inside. We welcome you Freshmen who are here today.

Yes, you'll study and learn as well as play

And when the year is ended at last. You'll be so sorry it went so fast.

Those who live in modern flats have little room to complain.

## Hutton, Guiheen, Kennedy Win Scholarship Awards

Judging from the scholarship awards given out during the school year of 46-47, no particular section has a monopoly on the brain market since the three winners come from different cities.

In June, 1947, the registrar's office of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University announced the awarding of these annual scholarships.

Robert Hutton, Jr., was awarded the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity scholarship for being the junior with highest average grades in all courses from his freshman to junior year inclusive. He is now employed as assistant secretary of the Employers Association of Western Massachusetts. He prepared for college at Holyoke High School and is enrolled in the management curriculum. During the recent war, Mr. Hutton served in the U. S. C. G. as a signalman. He is married, has one child and resides in Springfield. He is a popular member of the student body as proved by his election to president of the student council and also president of the fraternity sponsoring the award of which he is the recipient.

Thomas F. Guiheen was awarded the Sigma Nu Epsilon Sorority scholarship which is given annually to the member of the lower middle class who has obtained the highest average grade in all courses for the first three years. Tom is now employed as chief clerk in the public works department of the city of Holyoke. He prepared for college at Holyoke High and is now enrolled in the accounting curriculum. Last year Mr. Guiheen won the sophomore scholarship for academic attainment. He resides at the home of his parents in Holyoke.

Edward Kennedy was awarded the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity scholarship for being the sophomore with the highest average grade in all courses for the first two years. He prepared for college at Westfield High. Mr. Kennedy served four years in the Army ordnance and is now employed as a draftsman at the Springfield Armory. He and Mrs. Kennedy reside at Westfield.

Home, to the small boy, is merely a filling station.

### PLUMBING

Perhaps the workman is too busy,  
or his truck broke down—  
or he forgot his tools—  
or he can't get a helper—  
or he is in jail for violating the code—  
or he is ill—  
or any one of several reasons—  
But why is it that water won't flow  
from the drinking fountains to provide  
a satisfying drink?



## NU Veterans Hold Service Decorations

Northeastern University, Springfield Division, this year is educating 435 veterans to the rigors of economic life. This section of the student body has unusual intellectual capacity and athletic ability, for they all attend on scholarships granted by that great philanthropist and financial friend of all colleges, Samuel Whiskers.

Unlike the football player, however, whose pay check next week depends on how many points he scores Saturday, the veterans have already crossed the goal and the duration of their scholarships depends on how long they were in the game. Northeastern has on its roll some of the stars who played for our big Four in the Great Game.

Robert A. Curtin, who served with the 168th Infantry, 34th Division, famous for action at Anzio, holds the purple heart, E. T. O. campaign ribbon, distinguished unit badge, and combat infantryman's badge. While Bob Curtin was serving in Italy, Chester A. Matson, attached to the Manhattan Project, New Mexico area, helped guard the great secret of the war.

The army was not alone in struggle and victory. Our Pacific fleet had among its personnel William A. Boucher—Asiatic Pacific Theater medal with eight battle stars, and Robert E. Barret—Asiatic Pacific Theater Medal with five battle stars, and the Philippine Liberation Medal with two stars.

The land arm of the navy, the marines, has a proud record which the men of this war augmented. Russell A. Trominski, wounded at Palau, and Donald F. Withee, wounded at Iwo Jima, were two of many that established bases to enable the use of leap frog tactics across the Pacific.

In support of the fleet, the army and marines was the air forces, daily battling the enemy from Orion to the Cross, until the air was ours. Northeastern here too had her men—John J. Brody, distinguished flying cross, air medal with three oak leaf clusters, and John A. Boiteau, purple heart with cluster and the Air Medal.

Yes, Northeastern was there—sometimes even before Kilroy!

A certain young man came home with a grievously unsatisfactory report card in January.

"Oh, dear," said his mother, "what is the trouble?"

"There isn't any trouble," said the youngster, "you know how it is yourself; things are always marked down after the Holidays."

"Youth," said Bernard Shaw, "is a wonderful thing. What a crime to waste it on children."

## Somebody Said "Let There Be Light"

To those who are just getting acquainted at Northeastern, certain well-lighted class rooms may be taken as a matter of course. But by those who have endured the handicap of straining under inadequate lighting, these well-lighted rooms are deeply appreciated.

The Nor'easter, on behalf of the faculty and student body extends a sincere thank you to those responsible for the improved lighting.

The Springfield Division of Northeastern University occupies an important niche in the field of education. May the benefits derived from good lighting within its walls be reflected in greater enlightenment in the minds of its students.

## Could We Have Those Finals Back?

Throughout life we are constantly reminded that we should profit by our mistakes, be they in a classroom, office, shop, or home.

I wonder if any thought is given to the disposal of our final examination papers. Not once in our long tedious years of study here do we receive these papers, to look over, to profit by our mistakes.

Most students possess a natural curiosity and would like to have these papers. One never knows how well or how poorly he did on a final exam and there seems no better way of letting him know than by giving him his papers back and showing him. Each year we literally drag our weary bodies to the classroom for our finals. After three hours of toil, we leave never to know what our harvest is. If we pass the course, we assume the final was satisfactory. How well we did, how poorly we did, where we erred, how we erred—these things we never know. But we should know—so we could remedy the situation and profit by our mistakes.

Little expense would be involved in getting these papers back to the student desiring them as each student could call for them at the office. No group discussion would take place but with proper comments on errors the student could benefit by his mistakes, correct his mistakes, and be better prepared to carry on in the next course.

Douglas Jerrold, 19th Century wit, was approached one day by a chatty bore. "Well, well, Jerrold," she said. "What's going on?"

"I am," said Jerrold, and did.

The editor of a small Missouri paper sent a notice to one Bill Jenkins that his subscription had expired. The note came back with the laconic scrawl, "So's Bill."

## You Are Citizens Of No Mean City

If you are a freshman, it may be a good idea to finish reading this article. You, no doubt, have been welcomed into other schools, classes and clubs in the past, and after the usual encouraging remarks, embarked into the spirit of the project with more assured feelings. We extend to you the same kind of a welcome, but with even greater seriousness and understanding. The fact that you are willing to devote three evenings a week to school attendance and a like amount of time in home study makes you a very worthy candidate for the degree that you will ultimately receive. It will not be an easy road, but you will reap the benefits on the way. Your investment of time and energy will be returned to you manyfold.

In 1911 the Northeastern University School of Business was authorized by the Massachusetts Legislature to grant university degrees to its graduates. The Springfield Division of the University has been functioning since 1919 and was founded to serve those who have evening hours free for study. The typical Northeastern student is an adult and is actively engaged in some business vocation during the day. He is more ambitious than the average worker, and for this reason we find him willing to give up so much of his free time to enhance both his knowledge and value to his employer.

The instructors of Northeastern are college trained men, with a theoretical and practical knowledge of the courses they have been chosen to teach. They will share with you their day time experiences in the business world and convey their wealth of learning in a most interesting and effective manner.

This year's enrollment at Northeastern is record breaking. More students than ever are here to take advantage of the opportunities of this higher educational university. To each one of you is extended our best and sincerest wishes for a pleasant and profitable experience.

A man was once attending a formal dinner party. Finding himself next to a banker with whom he had very little acquaintanceship, he attempted to establish a friendly footing by remarking:

"I used to know Mr. Jones, who was with your firm. I understand he is a tried and trusted employee—"

The banker immediately assumed an air of cold unfriendliness. "He was trusted, yes; and he will be tried, if we're fortunate enough to catch him."

"I visit my friends occasionally," remarked Hazlitt bitterly, "just to look over my library."

## Physics Instructor Wins Order of Merit

Leonard C. Flowers, Northeastern's capable physics instructor, was recently awarded the Order of Merit by the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company. This is that company's highest award for outstanding service.

Mr. Flowers was cited for his understanding of relationships between chemistry and design, for application of his knowledge to improve hermetic refrigeration systems and for his gift of translating intricate chemical relationships into terms his fellow workers could readily understand.

Since 1936 Mr. Flowers has been Materials Engineer at the East Springfield Plant of the Westinghouse Company. He has taught physics classes at Northeastern since 1940.

Northeastern is honored and proud that one of its instructors was so honored.

## Self-Educated Paid Tribute

There is a kind of education, not of the high school and college type, but important nevertheless, that many men have pursued with utmost vigor and determination. I refer to self-acquired education of which many men of distinction and honor are justly proud.

In our present day school system almost every child is given as much training, up through high school, as he can absorb. Not all of these children are equipped to carry on through college for various reasons. Some of them cannot afford the heavy expenditures necessitated by leaving home and living on the campus. Others simply lack the ability to go on any further. At any rate, there is still a sizeable number of students that do attend college. Of these students that do attend how many are really in there solely for the purpose of education? We often have heard of the student who attends college just because it seems like the thing to do. There are many students who just go through college, but very little of the college goes through them.

What of those who earnestly and sincerely desire an education and cannot afford the cost of college? These are the men to whom tribute can be paid. They wanted education and they went after it with heart, body, and soul. Their college was the library, experience, understanding, determination, and an unquenchable thirst for a knowledge. These are the men who in pursuit of education have captured and attained the heights which many degrees alone can never reach.



## Director Churchill

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plication. To those who have survived the past, this is no idle word of greeting; to new students, it is an exhortation to do one's best that one may become one of the worthy fellowship of our upper classmen and alumni who have been careful in the use of 7 times 24 hours per week to the extent that both their worthiness and their happiness have developed with their hours of rigorous academic application at Springfield Northeastern.

How many are there of you registered here this fall? Well, the first official report of registration prepared for submission to the office of the secretary of the University in Boston is always that of September 25. The registrar's office gives us for this year the following figure: 603. These are bona fide, simon pure, etc., etc., because any person who may have been attending classes the last few weeks without having thought to pay his various obligations to the University is not included—even as he will receive no credit for any presence in class. By the way, there are only a few of these. Our bursar and registrar do not customarily get the time in the first few weeks at the beginning of each fall to "ride herd" upon the few who may get into class after filling out registration cards but before paying their tuition and other fees. Nota bene: But about now they will be getting together and it will save some embarrassment to both the bursar and to any students who might be involved if everyone who may have forgotten to clear his obligations does so before these two worthies do get together, even though the students involved will not thereby save credit for attendance for the period prior to clearance with the bursar.

### Accounting

Seniors	13
Juniors	21
Upper Middlers	11
Lower Middlers	32
Sophomores	63
Freshmen	71
Unclassified	29

### Management

Seniors	12
Juniors	6
Upper Middlers	10
Lower Middlers	18
Sophomores	38
Freshmen	43
Unclassified	17

### Engineering & Business

Seniors	13
Juniors	11
Upper Middlers	22
Lower Middlers	19
Sophomores	58
Freshmen	84
Unclassified	12

From the above you will see just how you are distributed as to fields of study as well as to proximity of the time you will receive your de-

grees. We might add for those who are at the extreme distance from receiving their baccalaureates that it is a testimony of many who have already run the race that the years pass very rapidly. That, by and large, seems to be the story of time when time is taken up with good and constructive efforts..

There is another handful of people who are very much a part of our fellowship, students who are taking some of the limited offerings to complete pre-college work made available under the supervision of the Springfield Division of the University. These pre-college students are people the age of the college students and not infrequently possessed of a higher "IQ" as the result of the graciousness of our creator than many of our perfectly regular college students. These pre-college folks merely endeavor now to obtain some of those academic tools that they were not able to obtain at the regular school age, or to their chagrin, or, all the more to their credit, to review some of the work which they now view more seriously than they may have at the time they were in high school.

At a recent dinner in rather academic society we had a professor from a western college ask us how much our enrollment had gained beyond normal. We replied, it is somewhat beyond the highest in the past but not appreciably. Then he said, I presume that means a high degree of selectivity in the choice of the present student body? To which we replied that inevitably this is true to some extent but not appreciably because Springfield Northeastern is not operated in periods of student-dearth upon the principle of eased admission requirements, nor, in the recent years of too great a plenty, upon filling of space by selection of those who stand highest for previous preparation out of the many qualified who present themselves.

You of the present freshman class and of the sophomore class are perhaps a little choicer groups than those who have been admitted in previous years when we think in terms of academic standing for all of you in your secondary school education, as compared to like requirements for all previous classes. This is particularly true for those of you who may have applied for admission after the first of August when knowing full well class registration limits would be fully met in the near future, and classes being fully as large as we desire (for Springfield Northeastern operates upon rather a small class size basis compared to many institutions), we obviously give a slight preference to the people who might be the least burdensome in a class. But our principle in admission, now as always, has been to admit those applicants who in character and ability we feel merit the opportunity and

can succeed in obtaining, according to sound standards, the values inherent in college education which help to build the best citizens.

We have, not, in either of the two years passed, urged early application for admission, though this is desirable for the person who may hope to be admitted in a subsequent fall, since he will have priority thereby over others who are no better than he and even some who may be better than he. By and large two-thirds of the last two classes have been admitted in the spring and early summer from applications submitted well in advance even though we have not especially emphasized this.

All of this means that we feel a little more than usual that most of you will pass your courses safely. On the other hand all of you remember, and particularly those of you whose secondary school records were lowest, that there is no such thing as the easy passing of a course but that, on the other hand, concerted thoughtful effort should make it possible for everyone who budgets the hours of his week wisely, to pass creditably or he never would have been admitted at all.

All this last about admission reminds us of what you were admitted to, not merely to a curriculum of study but an institution of learning, but over and above both, to the mind, the thought, the character, the experience, of the men under whom you sit in your respective class rooms. It is of interest, therefore, both to freshmen and upperclassmen alike, to know who the new instructors are. These men who have been admitted to the privilege and to the labor of having you in their classes are: Mr. Ralph I. Cantwell, Mr. Clifton H. Ewing, Mr. Thomas A. Henry, Mr. William A. Lieson, Mr. David D. Nickerson, Mr. John E. Sutcliffe, and Mr. William E. Toth.

As for the much greater number of old instructors, who they are and what they are, anyone who wishes may find out by asking for a copy of the faculty pamphlet printed last spring, and let us say that we are as sure that all these former men as well as our director and all of our administrative staff not only welcome you as fellow citizens trying to make yourselves better citizens, and as members of that group of people who get to receive some of the popular acclaim (never too much) which comes to those who have a college education, but more particularly to the opportunity to enlarge your past knowledge that you may have new food for thought from which to become a more constructive as well as a more happy individual than probably you ever were or ever would have hoped to be if it were not for this new year of greater effort in the field of study.

## Enrollment High

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to Garlock, and Miller, see more than statistics in the figures just released. More vivid to them will be the great change that has taken place.

Their memories of halls so recently almost empty, the quiet of which was only intermittently broken by shuffled feet and staticless rivulets of conversation among the few, tell them of the change time and war has recorded.

Now—at 6:45 the rumble of activity begins to develop in intensity. With each petulant moment, the turbulence swells until the corridor walls seem to ricochet static-charged waterfalls of thundering conversation.

Suddenly, above the roar, the clamour of the alarm stampedes the rushing, whirling mass into class rooms where seats and desks find new abuses to bear.

It is rushing, turbulent life that makes up postwar Northeastern. But it is an earnest, serious, business-like life too, full of circumspection and reflection. Its turbulence is a healthy evidence of enthusiasm and industry.

This grown-up attitude is whetted by keener competition between the 3 major fields of study. Enrollments in each field are as follows: Accounting 252, Management 220, Engineering and Business 220.

It is further estimated that 70% of all students enrolled are veterans taking advantage of the opportunity offered them under PL 346, more intimately known as the GI Bill. Many of these veterans are old hands at Northeastern, returning to complete a course of study begun here prior to the war.

Another interesting observation is that the freshman class of 208 students is not only the largest in school history, but accounts as well for one-third of the entire student body.

## Doug Chisholm Seeks Tax Collector's Job

Douglas T. Chisholm's face was familiar to many in the corridors of Northeastern during the years 1939-1942. He was in the class of 1945 studying accounting. In 1942 he, like many other students, went into the armed forces and served as a special agent for counter-intelligence. He was honorably discharged with a service-connected disability in 1945.

Doug has worked in the collector's office since 1929 holding various positions in the office. After his discharge, he was made deputy collector and now, with the retirement of Ralph L. Munn, present tax collector, November 30th, Doug has announced his candidacy for the office.



## ❖ ❖ Fraternities and Sorority Start Busy New Season ❖ ❖

### Epsilon Phi Sigma Twenty-five Years Old

To Epsilon fraternity,  
We pledge our loyalty.  
May equality and friendship,  
Our guide posts ever be.  
We are gathered now a-new,  
Here's a toast to friendship true.  
If in years to come we wander,  
We will have memories of you.

(Words to fraternity song written by George Leger, Class of 1942, alumnus of Epsilon Phi Sigma.)

Epsilon Phi Sigma recently celebrated its twentieth birthday by having a 20th Anniversary Dinner-Dance which was held at the Hotel Sheraton. Scintillating dinner-dance music was furnished by the old maestro himself Eddie Abrahamson and his Orchestra. The menu was entirely different from the usually furnished dinners of roast beef, roast beef, and roast beef. Yes, sir! Delicious southern fried chicken was served to the enjoyment of all Epsilon Phi Sigma members and their guests for the evening.

Presiding officer Everett Malerba, delegated Thomas R. Moriarty, an alumni member, as master of ceremonies and speaker for the evening. Moriarty spoke briefly of the history of our fraternity, twenty years ago, by a group of 25 Springfield Northeastern students who were desirous of having a fraternity entirely distinct from the fraternity already organized at Northeastern. The object of the fraternity has always been to encourage, promote, and foster fellowship and fraternity at Springfield Northeastern. All male students, regardless of their nationality, race, or religious faith, who have reached their nineteenth birthday and who have successfully completed their first year courses are eligible to apply for membership.

The high light of the evening was the induction of new officers for the coming year. Mr. Moriarty introduced and presiding officer Everett Malerba inducted the following officers into the fraternity. President, Donald A. Ferguson; Vice President, Eugene E. Caradonna; Secretary, Howard Edwards; Treasurer, Edmond McNamara.

The first meeting of the fraternity was held on Friday evening, September 26, at which time the new president, Donald Ferguson, announced that applicants are now being selected by the membership committee in readiness for the annual initiation to be held in November. All candidates will be subjected to an hilarious night of hocus pocus and razzing, to be followed by a dinner and a program of entertainment. This is one affair that

### Sigma Nu Upsilon Enjoys Social Events

Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority members and their friends gathered for an enjoyable evening of card playing last May 28, 1947. The big event started at 8:00 P. M. and took place in the lower dining room of the YMCA. The President, Betty Sullivan, appointed the following committees to help in making this affair one of the best attended and most profitable of the season: Refreshment Committee: Lorraine Sosville, Barbara Dubezesk, Jean Bradish; Prize Committee: Margaret Sears and Frances Taylor; Publicity Committee: Marion Premont, Bertha Guzek, Patricia Lawlor.

Even the Director, Mr. Churchill, stopped in for a few minutes to taste the crispy homemade donuts that everyone was enjoying.

June 21, 1947, marked another red letter day for Sorority members. The senior tea honoring Freda Metter, the only girl graduate of last year, was held at Mrs. Raskin's home on 7 Crescent Hill in Springfield. Betty Sullivan and Freda Metter had the honor of pouring both coffee and tea. The traditional fancy delicacies were partaken of with much pleasure. Everyone joined in the usual gab fest. You should have heard the oh's and ah's when Freda received her present from the Sorority. It consisted of a beautiful pin and earring set that we all swear actually matches her eyes. Isn't that something now?

Imagine relaxing beside a babbling brook in Forest Park some hot evening about 6:00 P. M.! This is what happened when the Sorority sisters got together on June 28, 1947. Mustard, hot dogs, toasted marshmallows, cool soda, fruit, etc., made up the bill of fare presented. The girls responsible were: Jean Bradish, Freda Metter, Rose Mercure and Francis Taylor who all did a wonderful job of purchasing the necessary food, building the fire and seeing that things ran smoothly. Needless to say everyone hated to leave when it finally became too dark to continue talking to someone you could only dimly perceive.

Every girl attending Northeastern is eligible for membership in the Sorority. Its purpose is strictly a social one. We like a good time. Of course, you do too. So, watch the bulletin board and the mail box. The Freshman Reception will be scheduled soon. Be seeing you!

all alumni and school members of Epsilon Phi Sigma look forward to attending.

### Pi Tau Kappa Wins State Honors

Bob Hutton, '48 was elected president of Delta Chapter, Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity at the annual meeting held June 7. Bob John, class of '49 was elected vice president. Other officers elected were as follows: Secretary, Warren Christensen; Treasurer, Charles Dinnie; Chaplain, Norm Powell; Historian, Bob Powell; Executive Committee, Fred Schrade, Harley Goodrich, Paul Theilig; Governors, Al McLennan, Ralph Warner, Paul Therlig, Frank Ferguson.

George Rice, one of the charter members of Delta Chapter, installed the officers. Brother Rice also provided the entertainment for the evening, showing some of his hunting and fishing movies in technicolor.

Members of Delta Chapter are looking forward to the 1947-1948, as it is Delta's Twenty-fifth Anniversary. A gala event is being planned for the March meeting.

The Annual Convention was held at the Hotel Sheraton in Worcester this year and the four brother chapters started the season rolling in high gear with another bright, prosperous year in view.

Delta Chapter was honored as Al McLennan was elected to the high position of Governor-General and Ralph Warner was chosen as Historian General. Congratulations, men!

The next night to keep in mind is November 1st when Delta will work with the school to welcome the freshmen to our crowded halls. So keep this date open and bring your friends.

Two weeks later is Old Timers' Night and we hope for a good turnout of the "older generation" that evening.

Last year Delta finished a close second to Boston in the Annual Competition lacking 3 plus points to take the plaque. This year the degree team promises to bring home the bacon again. Keep up the good work.

That is it for this issue and our treasurer has the last words "Dues are due"!

The tailors are the only ones who are satisfied with an increase in rents.

When the bride promises to obey, she waives her rights; but it isn't a permanent waive.

Women were made before mirrors and have been before them ever since.

### Boston-Northeastern Bows to Springfield

Springfield Rolls Up 41-6 Score Over Northeastern Sept. 27—Northeastern of Boston took a 41-6 setback from Springfield College at Pratt Field, Springfield. This was by way of returning a doubtful compliment of a 6-0 defeat received from Northeastern a year ago, and in the process of unfolding a brilliant running attack, coupled with some long passes, Springfield trotted out a pair of plunging halfbacks.

The Maroons scored in every period opening up with a touchdown and added point in the first, three more in the second and an added point in the second, picked up two more in the third and wound up the afternoon with a placement field goal.

Northeastern's single touchdown came in the second period when Douglas' long pass to Kerrivan was turned into a 44-yard gain and the six point score. The Huskies didn't get past mid-field again until the fourth period when Mussiemeci's pass to Von Euw placed the ball on Springfield's 25 yard line only to be followed by Mussiemeci's fumble recovered by Springfield.

Just before the game ended with Springfield's third and fourth stringers getting experience the Huskies drove to the 44 yard mark, but ended with an uncompleted pass and the simultaneous whistle.

It was all quite impressive for the 2,000 or more spectators who attended Springfield's opening game.

### Respect the Flag

The flag of the United States is an emblem of honor which we cherish. Men and women of this country offer up their lives in a time of need in order to uphold that for which it stands. A day is set aside yearly to celebrate the adoption of the stars and stripes as the national flag.

Why then do we see flags being misused by children on streets? Why are they allowed to be used as toys and decorations which soon become destroyed? Is it just careless thoughtlessness? Children should be taught to know the American Flag as something fine; to be respected. Parents should forbid their youngsters to take flags out of doors and toss them around as items of no value. Rather they should have one in the home as a reminder of the conditions under which it originated. Youngsters should be taught to pledge allegiance to it daily. Thus, may the future generation become good American citizens.



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## Curran Appointed Labor Conciliator

Joseph Curran, '49, majoring in Business Management, has been appointed as conciliator on the Massachusetts Board of Conciliation and Arbitration by Labor Commissioner Daniel J. Boyle.

The duties of this important position are to conciliate industrial disputes between employers and employees, and to supervise and assist in the negotiations of management-labor contracts.

Mr. Curran, a Navy veteran, has a wealth of experience. He has been an organizer for the American Federation of Labor, collaborator with Attorney Walter J. Dunn, graduate of Northeastern Law School, in the writing and conciliation of work contracts in Western Massachusetts. He has also spent five years as an enforcement investigator with the United States Department of Labor.

The appointment is effective about January 1, 1948. His office will be located in Springfield, in order to enable him to serve Western Massachusetts industry.

Northeastern extends congratulations to Joe and wishes him every success in his new position.

## Buxton's Employs Many NU Students

When Earlon L. Rich joined the Freshman class this Fall, he became one more Northeastern man at Buxton, Inc. Mr. Rich is the Chief Cost Accountant at Buxton's, heading up the Payroll, Timekeeping, and Cost Departments.

Other Northeastern men include Mr. Richard G. Champion, in charge of Production Control, Mr. Edward C. Bidwell, Time Study Engineer; Mr. Robert H. MacPherson, Office Manager; Mr. Robert E. Sharpe, General Accountant; and Mr. Kenneth J. Van Wart, Sales Representative.

### Notice to Veterans

If you withdraw from school be sure that you notify the school office. Otherwise, you will jeopardize all your rights under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

### THE FRESHMAN'S OUTLOOK



"6 YEARS!!"

## Bob Hutton Elected Secretary-Treasurer

Robert W. Hutton, Class of 1948, has recently been promoted to the positions of secretary and treasurer of the Employers' Association of Western Massachusetts. He fills the vacancy caused by the death of Alister R. Tullock who had served the association for the past 29 years. Bob has also been elected secretary of the Springfield Automotive Dealers' Association.

Hutton was graduated from Holyoke High School in 1930. He is president of the Student Council, president of Delta Chapter, Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity and recipient of the Northeastern "N."

Bob is married, has a son, and resides at 94 Maryland Street, Springfield. In his spare time, he is attempting to clear a building lot he purchased in East Longmeadow.

Congratulations, Bob.

## New Club for Cost Accountants Formed; Sherbow Is Chairman

### Class of 1947 Gift Is Memorial Plaque

The war is over! The Halls of Northeastern once again echo with the purposeful tread of those who have returned to take up the studies and associations so suddenly interrupted because of the great conflict.

In the midst of our gladness at greeting old friends and classmates, we are filled with a sense of great loss as we stare at the empty seats once filled by those who have made the greatest of sacrifices that we might continue with our studies.

Those boys who were missing are indeed back with us again. They now occupy a place of highest honor in the lobby of Northeastern where everybody who knew them, as well as those who wish to become acquainted may step and say "Hello, Bill," "How are you, Carl," or "Glad to see you back with us, Sam!"

The class of '47 did not forget these boys whose supreme sacrifice makes it possible for all of us to carry on. The class of '47 has presented this place of honor in the form of a plaque as the class gift to the School.

Our most earnest thanks and appreciation go to the class of '47 for providing this place of honor, and a salute of the greatest respect and esteem goes to those boys who will occupy it.

The plaque at present carries the following names: Hyman A. August '37, Samuel J. Levine '46, Donald E. McCormack '44, Irwin R. Schott '44, Thomas F. Tuohy, Jr. '43, Frank J. Jamro '41, D. G. Marshall, Jr. '46, Albert J. Michaud '44, Carl M. Stevens '45 and William W. Willard, Jr. '46.

If you know of other names that should be added, please notify the registrar at once.

An interval in music is the distance from one piano to the next.

Something new has been added! Yes, on November 14, 1947, the initial meeting of the newly formed Advanced Cost Accounting Club was held in Room A1 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. and then in a larger classroom from 9:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. Mr. Martin K. May, Assistant-Controller at the F. W. Sickles Company in Chicopee and a member of the faculty, can be thanked for its inception. Mr. May, who has a very broad educational and practical Accounting background, suggested this type of for-

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## Smorgasbord Features Annual Harvest Dance

New records in attendance, food consumption, and fun were established on the evening of November 1 at the Annual Harvest Dance and Reception.

The Roman Room in the Hotel Highland is still licking its wounds as a result of the terrific beating it took from 232 eager beavers as they converged on the one, lonely smorgasbord table—not once, but several times. Those present stowed food away faster than the waiters could refill the platters. NU really won that battle.

Our Director, John D. Churchill, was introduced to the gathering and extended a warm welcome to all in behalf of the University.

Following the eats, Al Acorn and his Silver Tones catered (musically of course) to the whims and fancies of the dance-hungry guests and did it to the complete satisfaction of all present.

It's too bad midnight rolled around as quickly as it did, but then we have the Annual Spring Dance in April to look forward to.

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Seen walking past the Hotel Highland Monday noon (36 hours after the Harvest dance)—a member of the faculty. Was the party that good, Mr. Goodchild?



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## DO IT NOW, WON'T YOU?

Organization is the backbone of accomplishment. This is a truism that is universally recognized. The club affairs you attend are successful because the hard work of minute planning has been accomplished many hours before. The flawless Broadway plays you enjoy seeing and hearing keep you engrossed because every imperfection in scenery and acting has been removed. The concerted action and precise timing of armies in combat can be attributed to just such strong organizational technique.

But organization can have other meanings and advantages especially for the many students at Northeastern. First of all, it can be a strong uniting force. There are six regular attending classes here at school. In order, they can be named as, Freshman, Sophomore, Lower Middler, Upper Middler, Junior, and Senior. At the present time, we hardly know which students are actually freshmen or seniors, Accounting or Engineering curriculum students barely recognize those who will graduate the same year they will. With organization such a situation could be eliminated. Each class would convene in a YMCA room on a regular appointed night after school. With the election of class officers, a representative organization would be established. These important members could then go about planning little get-togethers. A truth-and-consequences or a quiz program could be originated to acquaint the class with each member.

Remember how united your high-school class was maintained and the manner in which you considered fellow classmates? This could be true of Northeastern long before the fifth or sixth year of attendance. Such an organization would bind each individual class into a unit that would function smoothly. It would enable each student to understand his fellow members more completely and to cooperate to the fullest.

Then too, the school as a whole would benefit from such an undertaking. A closer harmony would be felt and changes in policies more quickly carried out. This paper could be utilized by each class to effect any changes, to improve existing conditions, and to express class feelings.

Students how do you feel about this proposal? What do YOU think of a class column to interpret your feelings. Send your letters to the Editor expressing your viewpoint or making any suggestions you think might be useful.

## The New Look!

And where is the "new look" at Northeastern? This phrase doesn't refer to a face transformation, but to a drastic change in Women's garb. Over the universal protest of men, the hemlines in dresses, skirts, and coats have dropped. The closer these garments are to ankle length, the newer the "look" is!

As we have perceived already, especially on our Main Street, the new tent-like coverings are well on the way towards general adoption. It is estimated that it will take about two years before the "new look" is fully entrenched with both the young and youngish womenfolk.

With the downward trend in clothes, the cycle in hair styles continues to go upward. Short, curly hair, with ears covered, is the hair-dressers' contribution to the style change.

'Tis whispered that men shall not escape entirely from this "new look" revolution, for supposedly their trousers will have a new length too—just above the ankles. When this trend is accepted by men, do you suppose that barbers will make their contribution by advocating long hair?

## And More About It

We liked them short; now they're longer,  
Who started such a fad?  
Could it have been a man, I wonder,  
If so, he must have been mad.

Couldn't have been a woman, I'll bet,  
She'd have little to gain.  
By going down and covering up,  
and yet,  
She might do it if she weren't vain.

I'll leave it to you as gentlemen,  
Which do you prefer?  
Will you sit back and admire her long hem,  
Or would you rather see more of her?

## DAFFYNITION

Lecture: A procedure by which the notes of the professor become the notes of the student, without passing through the mind of either.

The different kinds of senses are commonsense and nonsense.

If any man smite thee on the right cheek, smite him on the other also.

## "There'll Come a Day" Says Hopeful Senior

This is the moment I have strived for and anticipated for six long years. The music is playing softly and a hushed silence has fallen over the graduation audience. In just a few moments, Northeastern University will confer upon me the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration. It is altogether understandable why I should be pensive for just a few moments while I sit waiting for Mr. Churchill to call my name.

In my cap and gown I feel as new and awkward as I felt when I attended my first class at Alma Mater. The director's voice speaking now could be that of the first instructor I had when he started to give his lecture. Even many of the classmates sitting near me are the same as in that first class.

But those years are past with all their joys and sorrows. I stand on the threshold of another world. I cannot deny that those years have changed me in many ways. I am six years older to begin with. That fact alone supposes change and possibly improvement. Certainly the creative thinking I have done in Accounting, Advertising, Law, and other subjects has helped me in the business world. The job I hold today is the best I've had in my life.

But what of the B.B.A. degree I am to receive? Will it mean any more than a piece of white printed paper to frame and hang in the living room? Shall I be able to use it as the passport to a new world of discovery and achievement? There are some who look down on degree holders, considering them the pampered children of society. But no graduate of Northeastern has persisted because of "snap" courses. He hasn't maintained his standing by reason of any athletic prowess or social position. Work, work, work, is the war cry of the classrooms and study places. Strive, strive, strive is the slogan for the students' daytime hours.

Other individuals are over-awed when they see a B.B.A., B.A., B.S., or any degree letters after someone's name. There is, however, an in-between attitude which I think is most prevalent among clear-thinking business men today. It is this attitude which enables them to realize that a person with ability who is trained in the after-work hours, will continue to exercise that ability during business hours. That means that a B.B.A. holder usually receives preference when it comes to promotions or when decisions are made concerning applicants for various positions. This is one advantage this new honor will bring to me.

Going to Northeastern has stimulated my thinking. This makes me

unwilling to accept the stagnation of routine without improvement. I want my ideas to secure results and my training at school has given me the "know-how" to accomplish this. B.B.A. holders then because of six years of study can evaluate and solve problems more easily than others.

After the accumulated feeling of exhaustion following graduation has passed, many students do graduate work in some other college with celebrated professors. This degree will give me the necessary background to continue my education if I so desire.

If you add up the figures, getting a B.B.A. means preference in jobs, easier problem evaluation, the stimulation to acquire more knowledge, and a feeling of satisfaction. The only disadvantage I can think of, is the hard work connected with earning a degree and the social activities I missed because of it.

But my partner is nudging me now. The music has changed to a march. That means it's time to start marching up to get that coveted degree. Here I go!

## The Christmas Spirit

Red and green are the colors we like  
For they remind us of Christmas so jolly and bright,  
Of Santa climbing down from his snow-covered sleigh,  
To fill children's stockings before he's whisked away.

We love the colored lights that reach afar  
And the wistful-eyed children watching their star,  
The bell in the steeple that chimes from its tower  
And the gay carol singers chanting every hour.

These sights are all so dear to our heart  
They make us ponder and pretty soon start  
To spread the goodwill this season preaches  
To be joyful and kind as the Christ-Child teaches.



## SHERBOW NOW PAPA

Have you noticed Heinz Sherbow strutting around school without a vest on? Every time he buttoned his vest the buttons popped off. Why? Because he is now a pop.

Mrs. Sherbow gave birth to a seven pound four ounce baby boy on October 31. Mother, son and also father are doing fine. Congratulations, folks.



## Atomic Automobile Still Long Way Off

Are you one of the visionary persons who look ahead with eager anticipation to the day of the atom-driven automobile? If you are we suggest that you make no immediate plans to get rid of your old gas-burning jalopy, 90-mile-an-hour station-to-station pocket-robbler because it will be many years before any practical application of the atom to drive pleasure cars (or any automotive vehicle) will be possible.

The reasons we are dampening your enthusiasm and contending that a television set will be an accustomed fixture in your home before the dreams of highways without gas stations can be realized are many; two of which are most significant.

Harry M. Davis, writing on the implications of atomic energy for the New York Times, has this to say:

"Without special precautions, people near an operating atom-power source would suffer burns and other ailments like those due to an overdose of radium or X-rays. To stop the powerful rays, thick metal shields must be used. The weight of these shields runs to tons. This automatically excludes, for the immediate future, the atomic automobile."

The cost of securing the ingredients of an atomic power unit is prohibitive. An ounce of energy-yielding U-235 (uranium, a rare metal) will produce more heat than a hundred tons of coal. But "pound for pound, it probably costs more than a thousand times as much as coal."

Then again, the biggest portion of all atomic units developed are required for military purposes. Our only chance of having any available for commercial and private use in our automobiles would be to develop an unlimited supply. To do this, Mr. Davis informs us, the conditions must be provided that will encourage basic scientific research.

The most vital condition is a condition of peace. Not merely a truce while nations arm, but a sincere international peace which embodies enlarged measures of "freedom of research, discussion, and publication of scientific data."

If you agree with the reasoning of Mr. Davis as we do, then we're sure you'll leave the idea of the atomic automobile to Buck Rogers and *Popular Science* and be thankful for the old twentieth-century bus, with all its shortcomings.

Let them obey that know not how to rule.

An obstinate man does not hold opinions; they hold him.

## Mr. Weller Tells All

More than one and one-half years has passed since I assumed my duties as registrar at Springfield Northeastern. During this time I have become acquainted with the problems and policies of the institution, have been initiated into the mysteries of the office routine, and have come to know individual members of the Student Body. I have participated in meetings of the Student Council and the Alumni Council and in some of the extra-curricular activities of the students; and I have attended the most important social activity of the students, the Annual Spring Dance.

It has been a pleasure to be a part of the institution. It has been, naturally, a drastic change from Navy routine. I had anticipated Springfield as being almost in the center of Yankeealand, never having been in New England before. I was sure that people would be rather cold in manner, grasping in nature. It is good to find that people here are . . . just people, as friendly, as courteous, and as kind as those in Ohio and New York.

When I arrived, Mrs. Weller was with me; and, during the few weeks that she was here, she helped us in the office to bridge the gap until the help situation had been remedied. Not realizing that she was my wife, Mr. Walker assumed that a new permanent secretary had been found. Later he told me (while rocking with laughter) that he had at first been worried about the new Registrar. "Gosh," he gasped, "you kissed her right in the faculty room, and I thought to myself that HE wouldn't last long around here" Mr. Walker, in my mind, is typical of the fine gentlemen on the faculty of Springfield Northeastern.

I have been impressed with the seriousness with which the students come to this institution. Especially when graduation is near at hand, am I impressed with the doggedness and tenacity the Seniors have shown in fulfilling requirements for their degrees. A minimum of six years of study, while working full-time and even overtime in the business world, is truly indicative of the caliber of our graduates. They are certainly to be acclaimed for their achievements.

And now, for the future. There are many things left undone; there are jobs for all of us to do. The effects of the war have not yet been entirely cleared away. We have a large enrollment this fall. We expect new problems to confront us. And, speaking as only a minor cog in the wheel. I am confident that all of us in the Faculty, in the Alumni group, in the student body, and in the administration, will do our share—and more—in the rebuilding.

## Bursar Explains Hobby

Leon D. Chapin, Jr., our genial bursar, recently was accorded public recognition for the development of a hobby which has attracted much interest, and which led to a combined showing of the hobbies of his fellow workers of the Farm Credit Administration.

When your reporter visited Mr. Chapin and saw his display, he said that his interest in building model railroads, military planes, guns, and other models of military equipment started while he was a patient in the Cushing General Hospital recovering from wounds to his hands and arms, received when he served in Italy.

As part of the occupational therapy treatment at Cushing, he turned out exact models to scale, with many moving parts, of 40 mm antiaircraft guns, 105 antiaircraft guns, LSTs, PT boats, landing barges, military airplanes, railroad cars, and engines.

From this beginning he has made a large collection, outstanding among which are the 40 or more assorted railroad cars and engines which can be operated on the narrow gauge track he has constructed. These miniatures are worked out with artistic attention to detail and make a wonderful array. All you hobby enthusiasts who are interested further, might be able to persuade our bursar to show you some of his work.

Perhaps some of you who have hobbies would be interested in exchanging information and ideas through this paper. Just leave your suggestions and ideas with the office, addressed to the Staff of the Nor'easter.

## How Instructors Get That Way

You, like myself, have probably heard students wonder why this instructor or that instructor, who is apparently successful in his field, bothers to teach at Northeastern—tying up endless hours of his spare time preparing lectures and correcting papers.

One of the big reasons is, that it keeps him alert and mentally "on the ball," leading a class at a school like Northeastern, where the composite business experience of the average class represents many, many years in the various fields of business. What other school offers so much to sharpen an instructor's wits?

The only part of the nation's food supply raised by the middleman is the price.

All the crew were taken into custody.

The Press today is the mouth-organ of the people.

## Student Spends Quiet Evening at Home

Tonight is my night. Nothing to do but enjoy a quiet, peaceful evening at home, relaxed in an enveloping over-stuffed chair with the evening paper and a new magazine for entertainment. Settled in place, I casually read the newspaper uninterrupted except by the advertisements that plead, demand, frighten and threaten, or by the announcement that Al Ouillette has switched to Calvert.

And after the paper I caress the magazine fondly in anticipation of the pleasure ahead. I turn a few pages and the picture of a downcast bride-to-be, sitting on the steps of the church confronts me. Somebody whispers, "Bad breath . . . he left her waiting at the altar." This scene is not as depressing as it looks, for it is better to have halitosis than no breath at all.

With a flick of the thumb, the page turns. This time it is a picture of an eight-year old boy asking his mother for a second helping of a mushy cereal, called "Gnihton." Under the picture are these words, "Have you tried that delicious new corn cereal called Gnihton? Gnihton is good for you. Gnihton tastes like ice cream. You will be surprised how economical Gnihton is. And, ladies, if you eat Gnihton, you are bound to reduce. Remember, Gnihton spelled backwards is Nothing."

I turn another sheet, and in bold type across the top I read, "Absolutely Free." Here is something that won't cost me a cent, so let's read on. 'Absolutely free. Just enclose three auto tops with this coupon for a free course in radio engineering. Also enclose \$20.00 to cover the cost of handling and mailing." The twenty bucks prevents me from becoming a full-fledged radio engineer like Horace Fay of Milwaukee, who earned \$600.00 fixing radios the first month after receiving his diploma.

On the next page appears the picture of a fellow, formally dressed who cannot convince that girl in the slinky black strapless gown to dance with him. "Poor fellow—even his best friends won't tell him."

But it makes me think. Why did I sit alone on the bus that other day? The seat next to me was vacant and people were standing in the aisle. The boss did not give me the raise I requested last month. Wow . . . turn on that shower. Here I come.

A quiet, restful evening at home, bahh!

In the United States people are put to death by elocution.

Facts are stubborn things.



## Cost Accountants' Club

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mation as in accordance with the procedure followed by day colleges, during one of his Accounting classes.

Student enthusiasm followed and Mr. May graciously volunteered to give of his time and service. He says that this is a hobby with him. Certainly, it is the most unselfish hobby we can think of.

During the first hour of the meeting actual organization got under way. Votes were cast for officers and those elected are recorded below:

Chairman ..... Heinz Sherbow  
Secretary ..... Marion Premont  
Treasurer Edmond McNamara

Miss Premont was appointed by the Chairman to formulate the by-laws and present them for approval at the December meeting. Director Churchill will then be consulted concerning amendments. Meetings will be held every month on the second Friday from 7:00 to 10:00 P.M. The club is under the jurisdiction of the school which approved each member, who must have a minimum 70% average. Applicants are required to have completed a year of Cost Accounting or to have practical experience.

Dues were set at \$.25 a month in order to help defray the expenses of two social dinner parties to be planned later in the season. Guest speakers who are specialists in their field will present lectures for the group at certain meetings. Mr. Russell Kibbe, a member of the group, is slated to give a one hour explanation of the Cost Accounting system which is in operation at his company, the Indian Motorcycle Company. After this presentation the members will discuss the good and bad features of such a system. Personal cost problems will also be presented and solved by the club.

"Accounting Procedure for Standard Costs" by Cecil Gillespie, published by the Ronald Press, is the textbook to be used in securing creative problems for discussion. Advanced cost accounting theory, practical problems pertinent to cost accounting, budgeting, payroll, standard cost, cost procedure and other aspects of advanced cost accounting will all receive consideration by this new group. The textbook is available at the Bookstore from Mr. Chapin. Homework, however, will be strictly on a volunteer basis.

So, if any of you students have had a year of cost accounting or are doing it in your daily work, get in touch with one of the officers. You certainly don't want to miss out on any of these meetings which will help you in so many ways.

All work and no play makes jack.

## N.U. Office Staff Handles Many Jobs

Remember those smiling faces that saw you through registration and orientation? We know you would want to know something about those people who make things so pleasant here at Northeastern.

On the top of this list is the Director, Mr. Churchill, whom you met in our first issue. His full name is John Doane Churchill, and he was born in Raymond, Maine. His accomplishments include an A.B. from Bowdoin, an M.A. from Bates and attendance at Northeastern and Boston Universities. Incidentally, Mr. Churchill's son is studying at Bowdoin, his father's Alma Mater, preparatory to taking up dentistry. Mr. Churchill has taught English and Social Sciences at Williston Academy and also History and English at Northampton High School. Since 1920 he has presided as our very able director.

Mr. Weller, the Registrar, was born in Cleveland, Ohio and later graduated from Ohio Wesleyan. On the page describing members of the faculty, much more information about him is given. Mr. Weller's job is concerned with the scheduling of classes, interviewing, handling and processing of new students. Transfer Credits, counseling, setting up entrance conditions and many other administrative activities are included in the Registrar's duties.

Next on our list is Mrs. Irma Judith who has recently been appointed office secretary at Northeastern. In addition to working in the office, Mrs. Judith attends classes as an Accounting student on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. Her husband is employed as an assembler. She is also the mother of two charming children.

The other pretty girl in the office is Eleanor Longmore, the Recorder, who lives in Thompsonville, Connecticut. Eleanor is a graduate of Enfield High and Bryant College of Business Administration. We have heard that she was an honor student at both places. She keeps records of all students, interviews new applicants, and takes dictation. We all have to agree that she's doing a mighty good job, too.

If you've paid your tuition or bought any books or candy, then you've met Mr. Chapin. Mr. Chapin is a graduate of Northeastern with a B.B.A. in Management in 1939. He is married and has always lived in Springfield. The Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity is very proud to have Mr. Chapin as a Member of the Board of Directors. He also served in the 437th Infantry Regiment, and the 34th Division of the 125th Field Artillery Battalion during the war when he saw action in Africa, Sicily, and

Italy. During the day Mr. Chapin holds the important job of Assistant Chief Field Accountant at the Federal Land Bank on State Street.

Working in the library these days are Viola Boutote, Librarian, and Mr. John Bly, Assistant Librarian. Vi is a graduate of Commerce and has worked in the library since 1946. Her regular full-time job is at the Storms Drop Forging Company. At a personal interview she said that working in the library was very enjoyable because the students were so cooperative. Keep up the good work, fellows! Among other things, Vi gives out tests, locates books for all students and does other office work required.

Mr. John Bly, Assistant Librarian, hails from East Charleston, Vermont. He is a graduate of Bay Path in 1940 having taken an Accounting Finance Course. Like Mrs. Judith, Mr. Bly also attends classes at Northeastern. He is a Management, 1949, student. The Cost Department of the Perkins Machine and Gear Company is the place of John's everyday endeavors. He isn't married either. GIRLS! That very interesting article on library facilities you read in our last issue was one of his creations.

Thus you can see how the background and experience of the men and women who comprise such an efficient administrative staff equip them to fulfill their duties.

## The Parking Problem

Mid-year exams are plenty tough,  
And the well-known cloak room is  
bad enough;

But why can't the city's finest see  
That the parking problem is killing  
me!

Chestnut street is out of the question,  
And Pearl will always keep you  
guessin';

And should the museum be having  
a lecture,  
Your chance of parking is pure conjecture.

Mattoon Street seems to be plenty  
wide,  
So why the parking on only one  
side!

And then you're permitted by legal  
powers  
To leave your car for only two  
hours.

Some take a chance despite this restriction,  
But the court having competent  
jurisdiction

Sends them tickets good for one  
show  
At the Civic Theater on Municipal  
Row.

And so fellow students if you don't  
want to hoof  
Get a helicopter and land on the  
roof.

## Exam Schedule

Course No.	Subject	Date
A1-"A"	Intro. Acc't.	1-20
"B"	Intro. Acc't.	1-22
A3-"A"	Inter. Acc't.	1-15
"B"	Inter. Acc't.	1-16
A5	Acc't. Aids to Management	1-9
A7	Acc't. Prob.	1-14
A13	Income Tax Acc't.	1-9
A15	Const. Acc't.	1-15
Ch1	Chemistry	1-5
D1	Marketing	1-22
D3	Prin. of Selling	1-5
Dr1-"A"	Eng. Drawing	1-19
"B"	Eng. Drawing	1-21
Dr3	Adv. Eng. Drawing	1-15
Dr5	Design	1-22
Ec1-"A"	Bus. Economics	1-12
"B"	Bus. Economics	1-13
Ec3	Fin. Org.	1-13
Ec7	Bus. St. and F.	1-21
Ec9	Economic Hist. of U. S.	1-7
E1-"A"	Bus. English	1-12
"B"	Bus. English	1-20
"C"	Bus. English	1-22
"D"	Bus. English	1-23
"E"	Bus. English	1-23
E3	Adv. English	1-5
E6	Bus. Rep. and Conf. Last date	1-6
L1	Legal Aspects of Bus.	1-9
M1-"A"	Bus. and Ind. Mgt.	1-12
"B"	Bus. and Ind. Mgt.	1-20
M7	Credits and Coll.	1-13
M9	Ind. Mgt. Prob.	1-7
M11	Gov. Controls in Bus.	1-15
M19	Bus. Ad. Sem.	1-16
Math.1-"A"	College Alg.	2-24
"B"	College Alg.	2-13
Math.3-"A"	Analytic Geo.	12-11
"B"	Analytic Geo.	12-5
Ph.1-"A"	Physics	1-7
"B"	Physics	1-9
Ph.3	Mechanics	1-5
Ph.5	Strength of Materials	

## One for Mac

On the night preceeding the visit of the Freedom Train to Springfield, a band marched about the downtown streets playing tunes to arouse interest in the next day's event.

As it neared the Northeastern campus, the band's blaring notes interrupted many instructors who were in the midst of lectures.

Mr. Sabin, Business Statistics Instructor, halted his discussion with the remark, "I think I had better wait until the band passes. I can't compete with it." He then inquired, "What is responsible for bringing out the band tonight?"

Ed McNamara, always ready with an answer for anyone, began to explain that the band was playing in honor of the approaching visit of the Freedom Train.

Before "Mac" had finished his explanation and as if in salute to him for being on his toes, the band struck up a rendition of "McNamara's Band," which left "Mac" speechless\* for just a moment.

\*Editor's Note: This is a world's record!

All husbands are alike, but they have different faces so you can tell them apart.



## Tom Kerrigan Wins Hartford Election

Gather round, you wise and not-so-wiseacres of Northeastern, and listen to the saga of Thomas J. Kerrigan, Jr., of the class of 1952.

Tom is enrolled in the accounting division at Northeastern, and is employed as an accountant at The Whitlock Manufacturing Company, in Hartford, Connecticut.

When he first decided to run in the November elections in Hartford, cries of "screwball" rent the air. However, in the words of Jack Kaiman, astute political commentator of the Hartford Courant, "A smarter political campaign has never been conducted in Hartford." Truer words were never spoken, for Kerrigan did what such canny political wheelhorses as "Long John" Spellacy and district leader, John P. Kelly, said could not be done. Kerrigan won a position in the council.

How did he get that way, you may ask? And thereby hangs a tale not only of Kerrigan himself, but of his campaign manager, John "Bud" Mahon. Mahon, alone of Kerrigan's backers, possessed any practical political experience, having served as an investigator in the City Tax Collector's office and as a member of the Tax Abatement Committee. In addition to these duties, as manager of many football teams in Greater Hartford he had made a host of friends. Kerrigan received his introduction into the political limelight by way of the Frog Hollow Boys Club, in which organization he held the position of treasurer. Came election time, and the members some three hundred strong sallied forth into the highways and byways soliciting contributions (mostly silver) from people in all walks of life. And, as every person in political life knows, the unpaid, sincere worker is the best asset any candidate can have.

Moreover, no great fan-fare of publicity attended any of Kerrigan's campaigning. As a matter of fact, the fifteen minute speech delivered by Kerrigan over the radio was written on nondescript pieces of paper while enroute to classes at Northeastern. Yet, when the voting machines were opened on election night, he had nearly 14,000 votes to his credit, the fifth highest in the election.

The future augurs well for the success of Kerrigan, with faint glimmerings of State Senatorial ambitions already on the political horizon. And, dear reader, whether you believe it or not, his name will be one to watch in the future.

It may be true that worry kills more people than work, but it's probably because more people worry than work.

## Legal Lights Return To Northeastern

Last spring Springfield Northeastern conducted a refresher course for 70 men and women, which was offered by the Massachusetts Lawyers' Postwar Institute, Inc. The purpose of the course was to acquaint returned veterans with the legal developments since Pearl Harbor. However, the course was open to lawyers and would-be lawyers, as well as veterans. Most of those attending had already passed the Massachusetts bar. Some had never passed any bar, least of all, the Apremont.

The task of teaching law was an old one for Springfield Northeastern University. In the prewar days she produced a new crop of lawyers each May with the same regularity that a farmer produces spring wheat.

Among the seventy students in the refresher course were 17 graduates of Springfield Northeastern law school: Frances Bryant, Louise Kennedy, Mary Foley Van Houter, Frank Placzek, William Bailey, Joseph Jennings, Selden Brooks, Robert Bozenhard, Justin G. Cavanaugh, Sager T. McDonald, Thomas Donnelly, Edward Donnellan, James M. Healey, Robert Edwards, Maurice Baitler, Colonel John J. Higgins and Howard Meehan.

The classroom scenes for the Northeastern graduates were the same as in their undergraduate days except for the instructors.

The refresher course covered a wide variety of law in which the following lawyers lectured on their specialties: Pleading and Rules of Court, Leo A. Reed; Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, William J. Heslion; Practice and procedure, Asa S. Allen; Administrative Agencies and Procedure, Edward O. Proctor; Conflict of Laws, Stuart MacMillan; Tort, John M. Russell (Retorts, the class); Contracts, Edward S. Park; Sales, Philip B. Buzzell; Divorce, Brooks Potter; Bills and Note-Banking, Walter Malcolm; Workmen's Compensation, Samuel B. Horowitz; Bankruptcy, David Stoneham; Corporations, William Powers; Labor Law—State and Federal, John T. Noonan; Bankruptcy, E. Curtiss Mower, Jr.; General Legislation—State, Fernald Hutchins; General Legislation—Federal, Edmund J. Brandon; Evidence, Judge Felix Forte; Sales of Land, Leases, Mortgages, Conveyances, Recordings, etc., Rodger D. Swain and Roger B. Tyler; Trusts, Austin W. Scott; Federal Taxation of Trusts and Estates, Mayo O. Shattuck; Taxation—State, M. Ward Whalen; Taxation—Federal, John M. Maguire; Descent of Property and Administration of Estates, Guy Newhall; and Wills and Fu-

ture Interest, Harold T. Davis.

All these subjects were familiar to students here prior to 1942 when our law school graduated its last class. The legal jargon spoken by the law students bounced off corridor walls for all to hear. Today, the only evidence of such a course is the many volumes of law books in our school library.

Open one of them. You may find some left-over student still tangled in the Rules of Evidence.

## Boedeker '25 Joins Accounting Firm

The national accounting firm of Lybrand, Ross Brothers, and Montgomery, has announced the appointment of Myron J. Boedeker as a resident partner in its Los Angeles, California, office. Mr. Boedeker graduated from Springfield Northeastern School of Business in 1925. He joined members of his family at Long Beach, California, the same year, and entered the general accounting profession.

Mr. Boedeker came to Northeastern from the High School of Commerce, where he was active in many school activities. He was President of the Stoaphilos Debating Society, and was one of a team of three Commerce students which won the 1918 Interscholar Oratorical Contest presented in national competition in conjunction with the Third Liberty Loan. He was also president of his class and editor-in-chief of "Commerce," the school student publication.

After some years of successful accounting practice at Long Beach, Mr. Boedeker returned to the East to a position with the Johns-Manville corporation at New York City. He is married, and has one child.

## Five Minutes of Struggle

Yes, from 8:00 to 8:05 it is just that—five minutes of struggle. We have five minutes to breathe fresh oxygen, to get a drink of water, to rest our eyes, and for the girls to powder their shiny noses.

A student will stroll into class six minutes after 8:00 due to the fact that it took him the whole of two minutes to struggle out of the door and three minutes to bang, clash and swing his way around the crowd to the drinking fountain.

Gone are the past five years when, during the five minutes rest period you could hear a pin drop. You also had time to talk to almost every student and a minute remained during which time you walked in a straight line to read the news on the bulletin board. Today, you have just enough time to take that cool, refreshing drink of water and struggle back to your class. No time remains to say

## Mr. David H. Brown on N. U. Staff Since '23

Mr. David H. Brown was appointed to the staff of Northeastern University in 1923 to teach Business Economics, Financial Organization, and Economic Development of the United States.

Mr. Brown is the director as well as a faculty member of the Springfield Northeastern Summer Tutoring School which held its twelfth session last summer.

He is a graduate in law and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in September, 1915. In May, 1919, he was given permission to practice before the Federal Court. He is a member of the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. He is also a member of the New England History Teachers Association and the New England Economics Association. During the day, he is chairman of the history department at Classical High School in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown make their home at 85 Sumner Avenue, Springfield.

To you, Mr. Brown, a faithful friend of Springfield Northeastern, we take off our hats.

Mr. Brown graduated from Collinsville High School in Collinsville, Connecticut. Being brought up in Connecticut we can really say that he is a true Yankee. He received his A.B. from Middlebury College, his A.M. from Trinity College, and his LL.B. from Boston University. Not only did he come out from Boston University with his LL.B. but he also came out with Mrs. Brown. They were both students and that is where they first noticed the birds singing, flowers blooming and decided to become Mr. and Mrs.

If there is anyone who can fill the requirements of loyalty and dependability, it is Mr. Brown. He is always present at all Northeastern affairs. It was rumored that in 1924 he was planning to leave Springfield to accept a position on the faculty of some near-by well-known college. However, he was told that he could stay on the faculty of Northeastern as long as he desired if he continued to teach as well as he did the previous year (1923). That, I presume, hit his weak spot and we students do appreciate Mr. Brown making Economics an interesting subject. (Will we ever forget his unannounced quizzes).

"hello" to your fellow students. However, we should realize there are many more students now, and during recess we should try to stand near the wall to allow an aisle in order that others may leisurely walk for that drink or powder their noses during the five minutes of "peaceful" relaxation.



## ❖ Greek-Letter Societies Initiate In Gay Holiday Parties ❖

### Sigma Nu Upsilon Initiates December 14

Nine new members were received into the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority of Northeastern University on December 14, 1947, after a filling dinner served at the Hotel Sheraton. Chicken and all the fixings was consumed amid Christmas settings. The nine new Sorority sisters appear as follows:

#### ENGINEERING—

*Lois Taylor* who hails from Westfield. Lois is a graduate of West Springfield High School, and is employed at the Foster Machine Company in Westfield.

#### ACCOUNTING—

*Rosemary Belcher* who travels in from Chicopee three nights a week. Rosemary graduated from Holy Name High School in Chicopee, attended Our Lady of the Elms College, and works in the office of Demos Brothers—General Contractors.

*Ramona Delworth*—who is a graduate of West Philadelphia High School and Iowa State Teachers College. Ramona is Office Manager at Dunbar Community League during the day time.

*Frances Farrell* who is employed in the Tabulating Department of the U. S. Envelope Company. Frances has graduated from the Academy of St. Joseph, Brentwood, Long Island, and also Mercy Secretarial School in Brooklyn, New York. Incidentally, she also has a lovely ten-year-old daughter.

*Rita MacDonald*—who lives in Palmer. Rita works in the Savings Department of the Palmer National Bank and is a graduate of Palmer High School and Bay Path.

*Ann MacLeod*—who is another Palmer resident attending Northeastern these days. Ann is a graduate of Palmer High School and is employed as Head Bookkeeper at Better Brushes Company.

*Marcelle Moran*—who works for Massachusetts Mutual Insurance Company. Marcelle prepared for college at Classical High School.

*Lois Weissbach*—who is a Holyoke High graduate. Lois is working for the Hadley Falls Trust Company in Holyoke.

*Charlotte Wagman*—who is a bookkeeper at Youth Centre in Springfield. Charlotte is an English student who graduated from Commerce.

The sorority officers; President, Betty Sullivan; Vice President, Rose Mercure; Treasurer, Lorraine Sosville; Secretary, Marie Gunderson were all on hand to welcome the new members and to tell them about the sorority's aims.

The committees appointed by the President to help make this party a bang-up success are as follows:

Program, Jean Bradish and Marion Premont; Decorations, Betty Sullivan and Rose Mercure; Arrangements, Lorraine Sosville; Publicity, Rose Mercure; Prizes, Marie Gunderson and Margaret Bondi.

The initiates were put through laughter-provoking stunts required by the Sorority by-laws and prizes were awarded to the winners of the various games.

Best Christmas Poem—Bertha Guzek, Charlotte Wagman, Rosemary Belcher, Rita MacDonald.

Other prize winners include: Mary Gaudreau, Lois Weissbach, Rosemary Belcher and Charlotte Wagman.

All sorority members were overjoyed to greet such former school mates as: Jane Kusniericz, former editor of the Nor'easter and President of the sorority; Bertha Guzek, last year's Vice-President; Marion McCarthy, former Student Council member; Mary Gaudreau, former Secretary in the office.

Little candy-filled Christmas baskets marked each member's place and a rosy red apple with a candle thrust through the middle lit the room cheerfully. Sigma Nu Upsilon is certainly very pleased to receive these nine girls into its sorority, and the Nor'easter sends its CONGRATULATIONS!

### Bill Maggi New Staff Artist; See Page One

This edition of the Nor'easter introduces to its readers a new staff artist. His name is Bill Maggi. His talent speaks for itself.

Bill is well known around Springfield. He graduated from Tech High School in 1944 after distinguishing himself both scholastically and athletically. Baseball and basketball fans will remember Bill as the little fellow who always seemed to be in the right spot at the right time.

From Tech Bill went directly to Westinghouse Electric where he has used his talents as a commercial artist and draftsman in the Tool Design Dept., Works Planning Dept., and, at present, the Works Engineering Dept. He has also played on the Westinghouse Triple A baseball and basketball teams.

Bill is a Freshman in the Engineering Course so we may expect to see his work in the Nor'easter for some years to come.

A fool may ask more questions in an hour than a wise man can answer in seven years. (That may account for final examinations.)

### Epsilon Phi Sigma Initiates Ten

Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity, Alpha Chapter, of Northeastern University held its annual Get-acquainted Party on Thursday evening, November 13, for the benefit of this year's prospective candidates to the fraternity. This get-together was to impress upon the candidates the advantages to be gained by joining the fraternity and what would be expected of them once they became members of the organization.

President Donald Ferguson introduced the officers of Epsilon Phi Sigma to the new candidates and then instructed them as to how they were to conduct themselves during initiation week beginning November 17.

Mr. John O'Malley, an attorney at law, a prominent charter member of Epsilon Phi Sigma, and an instructor at Northeastern University, was the principal speaker of the evening. Mr. O'Malley spoke on the benefits which he has obtained through his many years of association with the fraternity. He stressed the fact that a fraternity member "can gain only as much as he puts into the fraternity."

An educational and interesting movie was presented depicting the processing of lumber from its place in the forest to the many finished products derived from wood. Several comic movies were also shown to the amusement of new candidates and members of the fraternity.

The evening's activities were brought to a successful close when refreshments, consisting of cider, coffee, and doughnuts were served.

#### Initiation

The following candidates were initiated on two successive nights, Friday, November 21, and Saturday, November 22: Thornton D. Beecher, Santo Anthony Cannarella, Richard Stanley Cushing, Jacob Daniels, Vincent Pulvirenti, James V. Maruca, all of Springfield; Thomas J. Courtney of Westfield; Frederick David Curtin of Suffield, Connecticut; Edwin Cary Kallmeyer of Holyoke; John Stanley Kowal of Palmer.

The candidates were subjected to an hilarious evening on Friday night. Pajama clad and blindfolded they were marched, chain-fashion, direct to Epsilon Phi Sigma's chamber of horrors. While enroute, the victims were halted in the middle of a dance floor where a Y.M.C.A. dance was in progress. They were instructed to do a Conga dance around the dance floor.

The chamber of horrors, of

### Pi Tau Kappa Holds Old Timers' Night

PTK formally opened the home season in grand style with an Old Timers' Night meeting which was held at the Church of the Unity, November 15th. A lot of "old grads" were on hand to join in the festivities.

A hearty supper was followed by a talk by Carl Reed, Safety Engineer at Westinghouse, who scared the boys half to death. He dwelt at great length on types of back injuries and I doubt whether the wives will be able to make our men do much snow-shoveling this winter. It was a well-illustrated lecture and all of us enjoyed it.

A meeting and initiation followed with three new members going through the paces. They were Norman G. Totten, George A. Dusenberry, Jr., and Carl E. Winterle. Congratulations and welcome to the fraternity.

The next affair on the social agenda is the annual Christmas Party which was held December 20.

Also keep in mind February 14 when we will join with Epsilon Phi Sigma to have a Valentine Dance.

And all you members who are complaining of the housing shortage would do well to contact Bob Jahn. Bob is moving into a new apartment soon—his third in seven months. See? It's easy.

course, was conducted by the alumni and members of the fraternity. It seemed as if all the members of the fraternity were accredited doctors, who wanted to perform their own specialized operations on the new candidates.

On the following day, the candidates were instructed to meet in the Hunt Room of the Hotel Sheraton where they were to be given a banquet. To their surprise they were again blindfolded and marched back to the chamber where they were put through a ritual which made them members of the fraternity.

The candidates were given their oath to Epsilon Phi Sigma by Thomas Moriarty, Grand Knight of the Ritual. John O'Malley, acting as Master of Ceremonies, thanked all the new pledges for being good sports and welcomed them into the fraternity. The Chairman of the Initiation Committee, Justin Converse, then presented a fraternity pin to each new member. Dinner was finally served and everybody in attendance had a good time.

Letters in sloping type are in hysterics.



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## Sanderson Assistant General Manager

C. Kenneth Sanderson, student at Northeastern, was recently promoted to assistant general manager of Better Brushes, Inc. of Palmer.

Mr. Sanderson has been with the company since 1942 during which time he has been cost clerk, head of the cost department, office manager, and assistant treasurer.

Most of you know that Ken served with the U. S. Army in World War II spending two and a half years of his three years service in China.

Besides being assistant general manager, Ken also serves as secretary of the corporation and is on the board of directors. He hopes to get his BBA in June, if he can get those Business Readings done.

Congratulations and good luck, Ken.

## Kelley Sets Pace For N. U. Joiners

Jim Kelley, class of '49, who is the popular treasurer of the Student Council is a very busy fellow. In addition to attending Northeastern he is a member of the American Society For Metals and is now taking a refresher course which the society is offering its members.

Jim is also an active member of the Connecticut Valley Section of the American Chemical Society. He is a member of the Student Award Committee of this society and he arranged all the details of the society's Springfield meeting which was held in January at the Springfield Plant of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

## GONZALES SHOWS STUFF IN BOSTON GARDEN

Mike Gonzales '49 well-known referee, has been very busy officiating at the western Massachusetts high school basketball tournament at Springfield College.

He was also chosen as western Massachusetts representative at the New England Championship tourney in Boston Garden on March 18, 19, and 20.

## SEE YOU AT THE KIMBALL!

May 24, 1948 is a day set for the Annual Dinner Dance sponsored by the Northeastern Student Council. The time is 6:30 to 12:00. Northeastern students will be served a luscious Roast Beef Dinner and then dance to the rhythmic beat of Al Acorn's orchestra. The "N" award recipients will be announced at this affair. Don't forget, that's at the Kimball!

TICKETS AT THE BOOKSTORE, THE BOOTH, OR FROM ANY COUNCIL MEMBER

## Dudzik Member Of Accounting Firm

On or about December 15, 1947, the firm of Dudzik, Forgione and Nolan opened its offices in the Elliott Building on Center Street in Southington, Connecticut. Mr. Albert J. Dudzik, Jr., one of the firm members is a regular attending student at Northeastern. He is a veteran of World War II, having enlisted as a private and retired as a first Lieutenant. Mr. Dudzik is a graduate of Lewis High, New Haven Junior College of Commerce where he earned an A.S. degree, and has also attended the University of New Hampshire.

He is a member of the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity here at Northeastern and also of the National Association of Cost Accountants. Because of his wide experience both in the Army and in public accounting, Mr Dudzik is well fitted to take on the responsibility of a general practice of public accounting, auditing and tax service.

## RAY ROBILLARD SHOWS NEW INTEREST IN COSTS

Raymond A. Robillard of 9 Brooks Avenue, Holyoke, Mass., whom many of you students remember as the fortunate father of twin boys, will soon be listed among the full-fledged members of the Cost Accounting Club which meets monthly.

It is easy to understand why Ray feels it advisable to make a scientific study of costs.

We hope that many others will follow his example—by joining the club, we mean.

## Bowling Holds Spotlight In Interfraternity Competition

### Martin May Wins Sickles Promotion

November 15, 1947, marked the appointment of Mr. Martin K. May, a member of our faculty and an instructor in Cost and Constructive Accounting, as the Divisional Comptroller of the F. W. Sickles Co. in Chicopee. Before coming to Springfield, Mr. May held a similar position with the parent organization, General Instrument Company in Elizabeth, New Jersey.

He has also been employed as auditor for the American Chiclé Co., and during the war headed their rubber development program in the Amazon valley of South America.

It is interesting to note that Mr. May graduated summa cum laude with a B.B.A. from the University of Missouri. He has also received a Master's degree from St. John's College in New York, his major work being completed in philosophy.

The entire student body as well as the faculty members wish to take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. May on his advancement.

FOUR STUDENTS HAVE STRAIGHT "A" AVERAGE  
FLETCHER, PACE, PERKINS, and McNAMARA, are four of the regular students carrying normal loads who have a straight "A" average during the first semester. There may more to add to this list when the final computations are made.

## ARE YOU THE PERSON WE'RE LOOKING FOR?

Have you always wanted to put your drawing ability to work but just didn't know how? Then the Nor'easter is looking for you.

Bill Maggi, whose fine work you saw in previous issues, has left school and consequently we need another artist.

If you know of a candidate or are that person yourself, just contact the Editor or Mr. Chatto.

How about it, you Engineering students?

Interest in bowling has been at an all-time high in Springfield Northeastern this year. In a spirited interfraternity series Epsilon Phi Sigma has emerged the champion. It holds also the high team string, 550, and the high team total, 1568. Everett Malerba of Epsilon rolled the high three strings with a snappy 336. High single honors, however, went to Aalto of Pi Tau Kappa with 127.

On March 5 and March 19 student-faculty matches resulted in two defeats for the pros, but Mr. Weller bowled an imposing 138 to annex top high string total for the season.

Detailed accounts of two of the interfraternity matches follow:

Running neck-and-neck for the lead at the end of the first two strings; Epsilon Phi Sigma finally pulled away from their worthy opponents, Pi Tau Kappa, to win a well deserved first round victory at the Paradise Alleys. Both teams were firing away at the maples with all the gusto they could muster; but when the firing had ceased, Epsilon Phi Sigma had amassed a total pin-fall of 1274 to win out over Pi Tau Kappa with a total pin-fall of 1205.

Tommy Aalto, a new-comer to Pi Tau's bowling team, annexed high single string honors by rolling over 127 maples. Although off his form in his last two strings, Aalto was able to pace the bowlers with his high three strings of 295.

Russ Kibbe, bowling for the first time with Epsilon, spilled the

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## DID YOU REALLY THINK IT WAS TRUE?

This is a tragic tale and we certainly hate to be the ones to have to break the news (but Mr. Weller knows best). Those Allowance Increases you veterans have been talking about in the hallways are applicable ONLY to FULL-TIME Students. Not one Springfield Northeastern scholar is affected by Public Law 11 increases. Sorry, maybe last year's suit won't look so bad in the Easter parade!



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## CORRECTION OF CONGESTION IN HALLS

It has been my observation that there is a need to reduce the congestion in the corridors and cloakroom which occurs each night at the completion of classes at Northeastern.

This condition seems to be increasing with the larger number of students attending the school and steps should be taken to reduce it. Some nights it reminds one of a crowded subway or getting out of Yankee Stadium after an Army—Notre Dame football game.

This congestion is caused primarily by the students coming from the floor above and entering the main floor where the cloakroom is located. The cloakroom has two doors which are used both as an entrance and exit. To further add to this overcrowded condition students congregate in front of the exit going out of the main floor.

This situation can be improved in one or two ways. First, a second cloakroom, if there is space available on the second floor, would probably remedy the condition. Second, the location of the cloakroom might be rearranged with an entrance and exit used. If it is convenient, students could use the exit going down the side stairs of the Y. M. C. A., thus relieving some of the congestion on the main stairways.

This condition as described above with suggested means of improvement should be brought to the attention of the school authorities, student council and all the student body. This congestion is not only an inconvenience to students but it is a real hazard.

S. O. S.

Many items are needed to make a newspaper a good newspaper. One of the most important is the news item, personal and otherwise.

The class in English 3-4 as staff of this year's Nor'easter wants to have a paper that contains all the news for all the students.

However we are handicapped in that we do not know all the students and therefore our news items are limited to those students we do know. We want to correct this shortcoming by soliciting your help and encouraging you to send news of your friends or of yourself to the editor, or someone in the class. Let's make the Nor'easter your Nor'easter. Will you help?

## POST WAR WORLD

Ever since the present decade began the world of business and science has found itself confronted with new problems. Each of us finds these new problems in his everyday work. As a result, if we are to be properly prepared to assume future leadership in business, then the problem of new studies must begin in the schoolroom.

In Springfield Northeastern the matter can be put to the very best use possible. The evening student spends every day directly connected to the business world. To him a business course is not just another subject to be learned and put aside in the belief that before graduation it will be obsolete. What he learns today can be put to use tomorrow both for his own good and the good of his company.

The advent of the New Deal saw the vexing problem of labor relations growing larger and larger. Now almost daily newspapers headline the fact that some new business has under discussion labor problems. At Northeastern we find that only the bare essentials of labor problems are studied. Here is a field that presents untold possibilities to the business student. To the qualified person openings in private organizations and the federal service offer both adequate remuneration and a feeling of satisfaction at a job well done.

A study of present day labor unions will bring to view the fact that the members have made a study of the situation. The union member is well prepared to take his place at the conference table with management. His union has enabled him to prepare adequately.

As the matter stands today the university can take the initiative and lay the ground work to enable the student to prepare himself fully for a place in management or it can stand idly by and find itself forced to undertake the program at the request of business. Time alone will tell the decision that has been made.

## PEACE ON EARTH?

It seems ages ago, but in reality it's a scant few months since we felt the glad Christmas spirit within our hearts which chimed "Peace on Earth, Goodwill towards men"—a wish repeated in the hearts of Christians the world over.

Today, when we are bombarded daily with newscasts and news stories stating possibilities of future atomic and germ warfare and the

scientific search for a death ray, together with the prediction of general annihilation, it is difficult to remember that this spirit of peace and goodwill existed at any time.

We have been told by our Northeastern teachers that willingness to learn is the basis of education. We all possess that quality; otherwise we would not be here to further our knowledge.

No American can truthfully deny the fact that we as a nation possess the will for world peace and happiness. In the United Nations we may grasp at hope, for this organization represents the will of the co-operating nations for peace. At first thought it may appear that this group has been entirely unsuccessful in its aim of maintaining future peace through collaboration, but one must remember that the difficulties with which it is faced started to brew many years ago and, therefore, cannot be overcome quickly. This organization may be the only means by which the storm of another war may be averted.

If all the peoples on earth had the will for world peace, we would have it. Let's do our part by adhering to "Peace on Earth, Goodwill towards Men" all the year 'round.

## A GOOD POLICY

Inquiring into the history of Springfield Northeastern I found that only once was this school represented by an athletic team and that team was organized by the students to play a few informal basketball games.

There is very little demand for an athletic program here primarily because the students who are capable of participating in such a program find little or no time available for such activities.

Most students are gainfully employed during the day and are forced to budget their time in the evenings and week ends between attending classes and completing home assignments and have very little time to devote to an athletic program.

If activities of this type were started there would be some students who would feel bound to participate even at the danger of lowering their grades in their required classes. Then, too, others with proven ability, might be frowned upon by the student body if they felt it more important to devote their time to studies instead of participating in the activities.

The school has an excellent reputation in the business world and has nothing to gain, but stands to lose, by the development of an athletic program.

The student has nothing to gain, but stands to lose, by participating in such activities if they were established.

There is little demand for such a program. Therefore, I feel that the school authorities have acted wisely and for the best interests of all by not including athletics as part of the program at Springfield Northeastern.

## NORTHEASTERN FROM A WIFE'S POINT OF VIEW

When I have completed my studies at Northeastern University, my wife will also have completed a most difficult role. It is with knowledge of the many sacrifices she must make, that she is determined to see it through. Three evenings of school plus the evenings of homework give little time for leisure. Homework nights find the house in complete quiet to study. Her complete handling of the many home duties enables me to devote more time to my studies. It is difficult to concentrate after a day's work, but under proper conditions at home one is able to accomplish much more.

My wife is proud of the school which I attend. Any self pity about the sacrifices she has made, and will have to make, is dispelled because she realizes that when the final goal is reached, it will well have been worth it. She called for me with the car after class one evening and I believe it boosted her morale, for with a burst of enthusiasm she said, "We'll see it through, John".

My wife takes great interest in my school work and although the engineering course is far removed from housework, her continual questions keep me talking about the subject and I find that helpful and beneficial. The accounting course at Northeastern interested my wife and should she find time from her busy schedule, she would like to study that subject. During the war accounting was her work and she has always felt that she wanted to study it in a good school.

Northeastern University to my wife is a stepping stone to better living.

The life insurance office was taken aback by the old man of 97 who wished to take out a policy. His application was turned down. Whereupon the old gentleman said with annoyance, "You folks are making a big mistake. If you look over your statistics you'll find that mighty few men die after they're 97."

Joe sent me a valentine—  
Careless little scamp!  
But I never got it, "cause  
He forgot the stamp.

I wish I hadn't laughed, for oh,  
Guess what I did with mine.  
I sealed and stamped it well, but I  
Forgot the valentine!



## Student Veteran Remembers Dachau

The most vivid chapter in my life was a one month period just a few days after the War had ended. Our battalion had been taken off of PW duty and we were on our way to a new assignment somewhere outside of Munich, Germany, some place called Dachau.

We arrived at the little town shortly before dusk and spent the evening arranging our quarters, some ten houses on the Munchenstrasse.

The next morning we found the company had been given the task of policing and cleaning up the Dachau Concentration Camp. The C. O. and I hopped in a jeep to make an inspection tour of the Camp and map out our details. As we approached the Camp we saw thick gray walls stretching some twenty feet in the air, covered with embedded glass and topped by electrified wire.

On entering the Camp we were made to submit to typhoid and tetanus shots and then proceeded on our way. To our left lay the main hospital, in front of us was staff headquarters, and to our right a compound some 2000 by 500 yards. It was encircled with barbed wire which in turn was surrounded by a deep moat. Within this compound some 6000 human beings lay, stood or crawled about, emaciated beyond belief. For a moment we just couldn't believe our eyes. We were told by an accompanying officer that these men were dying at a rate of 350 per day. Disease abounded, filth was everywhere, and a sickening odor hung like a pall over everything. We traveled on beyond the compound and found the source of that smell. A crematorium was burning at full blast, trying to keep up with the dead. Bodies were piled eight feet high, bodies stacked like cordwood in three rows, bodies that were consumed at a rate of 400 a day. Never will I forget that triple row of corpses, a monument to horrible depravity and injustice.

The Camp stretched on, workshops, barracks, warehouses, hospitals, and scores of other buildings. Here men like Martin Niemöller suffered and labored. Here men died like flies from malnutrition, disease, experiments, beatings, or the gas chamber.

So we cleaned it up. Day by day things grew better. Day by day the death rate dropped till at last the dead totaled only thirty a day and it was safe to breathe the air.

It is a chapter I wish I had never lived but yet I am glad that I did for through my eyes others may see and think twice before letting it happen again.

## BOWLING

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splinters in the anchor spot with a 205 total for two strings. Russ, speaker of the evening at a cost accounting meeting, was not able to arrive in time to bowl the first string so could not qualify for high three strings honor.

Everett Malerba, top bowler of Epsilon for the past two seasons, must have met up with "Snuffy's cousin" for he was only able to roll a total of 270 pins in three strings. Being dissatisfied with his three string total, Everett decided to bowl Kenneth Zemla, Epsilon's low man, one string. Loser pay. "Snuffy's cousin" entered the picture again, for Everett's string of 109 was not high enough to best Zelma's string of 113.

C. Kenneth Sanderson, student at Northeastern, was recently promoted to assistant general manager of Better Brushes, Inc. of Palmer.

## Pi Tau Kappa Takes Second

In a thrilling, spirited, and last minute struggle, Pi Tau's stellar pin busters evened their series with Epsilon, one and one, by defeating their foes by the slim margin of two pins. The event was witnessed by a gallery of bowling fans from both fraternities, at the Paradise Alleys. This second game was one of the most exciting matches bowled by both teams in several years. The final and deciding point was won by Pi Tau with their total pin fall of 1566 to Epsilon's 1564.

Ed Hachadorian of Pi Tau was high man on his team by knocking the maples over 287 times and bowling the highest single string of 107. Low man on the team was "Big Boy" Stanley with a total pin fall of 231 pins and low single of 70 pins.

Everett Malerba of Epsilon was back on the beam again after a poor showing in the first game of the series. He was highman of both teams, splitting the maples 314 times and bowling the highest single string of 112. Low man on Epsilon's team was "Pretty Boy" Grace with a total pin fall of 218 and low single of 60 Pins.

True to prediction, EPSILON PHI SIGMA rolled away with top bowling honors by besting PI TAU KAPPA in another "hum dinger" of a bowling match. Although no records were shattered, the match was decidedly even up until the last ball was rolled. Final score 1568 to 1527.

Many more new faces were seen in the line-up of both teams, including "Flint" Ugolini, "Kid" Curtis, "Slow Ball" Flint, and "Honey Boy" Thelig.

Bohanon with 107 was high man for Pi Tau Kappa. Malerba's 95 was high for the winners.

## Where Were You?

"Where were you when he died?" My wife asked me one night after we had listened to a radio skit about Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"Don't you remember?" I said. "I was in Saipan."

And my memory traced back to that day. We had left Okinawa five days before with a load of casualties. Our crew, usually jolly, was sober. At Saipan we hoped to transfer our most critical cases to a hospital ship. As we lay at anchor awaiting orders, the news came. *Franklin D. Roosevelt Dead!*

We were shocked. We didn't believe it, at first. Then as the realization sunk in its real significance crept over us like a fog among tombstones. I kept telling myself it couldn't be true. It couldn't be true; not now, not yet. And if it were, well, I just wouldn't think about it. But that was all I could think about.

"You know," My wife's words aroused me from my thoughts. "You know," she was saying, "here . . . in Northampton . . . it was like a . . . well, like a big hush. As though it wasn't really true." And her eyes were sad. She admired FDR. We both did. I guess everybody felt some emotion toward the man, even hate.

While we talked, recalling the many many things he had done in behalf of humanity, I thought; "How many people remember when Coolidge died—even here in Northampton? How many people remember for long the big men and the heroes of only a few years ago?"

Yet, three years afterward my wife and I recall as if it were only yesterday that day of great national loss when FDR, an institution in himself, died. We shall always remember that day. Indeed, we feel, he must have been an exceptional man.

A few days later while idly chatting with one of our engineers I said, "Howard, where were you the day Franklin D. Roosevelt died? Without hesitation he replied: "Ed, I was in New York, on Broadway, my wife and me. I remember it just as plain. We just came up from the subway and there was a big headline: *Roosevelt Dead*. I thought it was one of those trick headlines I had heard about. I nudged Bessie and laughed, smart-like. But I saw the look on Bessie's face. I realized. It was true. He really was dead. I remember it just as plain. Yep—just like the day when Knute Rockne got killed.

A foreman interrupted us. "What's eatin' you guys? Ya look like ya got troubles. You guys oughta—"

We explained. And we could see how eager he was to tell us something. And we knew that he too remembered. He did. He told us about how he and his wife were eating supper in a restaurant when the announcement was made and how he didn't pay any heed to it; just kept on eating and then all of a sudden the startling fact registered.

I often wonder just how many people were affected the way we were. Particularly during those days when the *March of Dimes* is being conducted in memory and salute to its founder I wonder how many people realize and appreciate what an influence this man had on all of us, in every land. I wonder if they realize how much good he did.

Historians are busy and they will be busy for many years learning about and writing about Franklin Roosevelt. Many bad, as well as good things will be said about him. Some will point out that he made many mistakes. But they will find more good than bad. And in the final summary I know that the good he has done will be drawn out and magnified until (perhaps in our own waning years) our history books will tell of Washington, who sired our democracy; Lincoln, who preserved it; Roosevelt who humanized it.

## Winter Woes

It is not without good reason  
That I'm tired of this season;

That I hanker for the mellow  
glow of spring.

'Cause I've really had to grovel  
Layin' heavy on the shovel,  
And I've sworn that I would break  
the bloomin' thing.

Snow is piled in every corner  
'Til I couldn't be folornier;

Yet the weather man predicts  
twelve inches more.

Why did he let me know it.

I can't find a place to throw it,  
For already it's above the kitchen  
door.

This year I've learned the lesson  
Many others have been stressin'.

When the wintry winds start  
nipping at your face,

Leave the shovel in the cellar,

Take the next train south, young  
feller.

Just relax and you'll forget this  
icy place.

According to John Gunther, an American journalist in Japan wrote to a friend and added the note, "Don't know if this will ever arrive because the Japanese censor may open it." A few days afterward, he received a note from the Japanese post office saying, "The statement in your letter is not correct. We do not open letters."



## Accounting Club Holds Three Meetings

The last meeting of the Cost Accounting Club took place at 7:00 P. M. on March 12, 1948. Everyone munched candy bars while Mr. May started the discussion. Lecture 5, which is concerned with a study of Sliding Budgets for Standard Costs was reviewed in detail.

The club's by-laws were considered and referred to the Committee for Revision headed by Donald A. Ferguson. Edmond McNamara collected the dues and an entertainment committee was mentioned for the Club's outing, which is coming up soon.

It was decided that C. P. A. problems will be distributed and worked out for the next meeting. Adjournment took place about quarter of 10.

The two meetings of the Advanced Cost Accounting Club held on December 12, 1947, and January 23, 1948, have proved both enjoyable and educational to its members. At the December meeting Thomas McGowan was the lucky winner of the instructor's copy of the textbook being used, which was so generously auctioned off by Mr. May. Mary Noble pulled the name from Heinz Sherbow's hat. During the lecture period the subject of PAY-ROLL ANALYSIS was thoroughly discussed. Its breakdown into controllable and non-controllable items was made. The actual forms used by the F. W. Sickles Co. were distributed by Mr. May at the January meeting. The study of these sheets made the previous month's lecture very concrete.

Edmond McNamara and Russell Kibbe, active members of the club, have presented extremely good speeches at the meetings. When Mr. McNamara took over the floor at the December meeting, he discussed the various phases of standard costs, loose and tight standards, the uses of standards, and the various methods of control. Russell Kibbe arrived fairly laden with Indian Motorcycle forms when he arrived to address the gathering. These sheets provided actual examples and made the discussion understandable for the students. He explained just how costs were set, starting with the bills of material and ending with the total cost computation.

Chapters 4 and 4A of Gillespie's book, "Accounting Procedure for Standard Costs" had been assigned for outside reading. Heinz Sherbow did a splendid job of summarizing the contents of these two chapters for the club members. A motion was carried at the December meeting to arrange future gatherings in three parts:

1st hour-Lecture on allied text material.

2nd hour-Discussion and summarization of Chapters assigned.

3rd hour-Presentation of some costs aspect by a member of the club. This may be an actual case history or possibly a subject that requires research.

By-law copies distributed to the members were to be brought to the February 13, 1948 meeting so that amendments might be made and a final corrected copy approved and adopted by the club.

## Northeastern Alumnus Promoted By Monarch

Recent promotions of personnel at the Monarch Life Insurance Company affected an alumnus of Springfield Northeastern.

Robert A. Edwards, class of 1941, was elevated to the executive capacity of Assistant Secretary and Manager of Life and Health and the Accident Claims Departments.

Bob studied law at Northeastern where he received his degree of LL.B. He is a native of Springfield and entered the employ of the Monarch company in 1936. He served four years in the armed forces where he entered as buck private and rose through the ranks to emerge as a major. Most of his army life was spent in the South Pacific.

Upon his discharge in 1945, he reentered the employ of the Monarch company as a claims examiner.

He is married to the former Blanche Bennett and makes his home with his wife and baby daughter in Springfield.

## MR. CHAPIN CATCHES THIEF

Maybe you've read clever detective stories in which the cop always gets his man. For a real life example of quick thinking and fast action, just ask Mr. Chapin, the Bursar (see last issue Page 3 column 3) how he managed to capture a thief on a recent Saturday afternoon.

It's really an interesting story in which a lady's handbag was at stake and also the March of Dimes contribution box. Hard-working Mr. Chapin came into work on a Saturday, accompanied by his pretty wife, all set for much work. The culprit appeared from out of nowhere and sneaked the handbag and box right from under their noses. When the loss was discovered Mr. Chapin picked up his spyglass, put on his thinking cap and removed his gun from its holster. He tracked the thief down and returned to turn him over to the police who were waiting downstairs in the Y. We're not kidding either. Just ask him!

## Sorority-Fraternity Dance Smash Hit

On Saturday February 7, seventy-five couples from the fraternal groups of Northeastern gathered together at Blakes' for their first annual valentine dinner dance.

After a sizzling steak dinner, genial E. Malerba, toastmaster, briefly greeted the members and guests.

Dancing soon got underway as the committee very carefully eliminated the fanfare of speech making. Able Al Acorn and Band provided the music, featuring Al himself as complete master of the keyboard.

It is hoped that this affair can be carried on every year to promote fellowship among Northeastern's fraternal groups.

The committee is to be congratulated for making this affair a success. Betty Sullivan from Sigma Nu Upsilon headed the committee and was assisted by Lorraine Sosville from the sorority, Albert La Riviere and Everett Malerba from Epsilon Phi Sigma and Bob Flint from Pi Tau Kappa.

## SPRING COMES TO PIONEER VALLEY

Around this lovely valley rise,  
The purple hills of Paradise;  
There the tall pine trees stand  
Like venerable monarchs, haughty  
and grand.  
While fringing roots and pebbles fret  
The ripples of the rivulet.

Becalmed along the azure sky,  
The continents of cloudland lie,  
Whose shores, with many a delicate  
rift,  
Far off their snowy white peaks  
uplift.

Sweet woodland music sinks and  
swells,  
The brooklet sounds like tinkling  
bells,  
Here, along some obscure close,  
Bloom the laurel and wild rose.

There, the song of joy in the air,  
Rises to God like a prayer;  
And the thronged procession of  
days,  
Utters a mighty hymn of praise.

## CONGRATULATIONS?

It seems that a certain party is becoming very important in the life of Bill Tilley, that fellow who is such a marvelous ski instructor. Maybe that little item on her third finger, left hand means something? HUH?

To keep milk from turning sour you should keep it in the cow.

## Kappa Initiates Three; Hears Talk By Jones

Delta held its second meeting at the Hotel Sheraton on January 17. Past Presidents' Night was celebrated and nine of our worthy former presidents attended as well as several other old timers. Paul Theilig was presented with the Past President's pin by Bob Hutton. Congratulations, Paul, and many thanks for the good work you have done.

Three new members were initiated. Harold Stratos, Frederick Metcalfe, and Robert Heel. Welcome to our midst.

Ed Jones of the Taxpayers Association spoke to us about our city government and of his belief in the city manager type of government. He made a good case and it is something to think about the next time we step up to the polls.

Bob Flint would appreciate any news about our brothers. Bob writes the Delta news for the fraternity paper so help him out, men. Thank you and we'll see you in the next issue.

## Dean Miller Source Of Little-Known Facts

During the course of a discussion with Associate Dean Guy Miller I learned some interesting information which I would like to pass on to you, if you'll give me just a few minutes of your time.

Did you know that Northeastern was at one time directly responsible to the Y. M. C. A. That is the Y. M. C. A. handled the courses, collections, and everything else that goes with the running of a school. Such was the case with Northeastern in Boston. Later Northeastern became a corporation and today we have Northeastern University, a duly organized institution of learning (as you have no doubt already found out).

Did you know that the International Y. M. C. A. College is — yes, Springfield College. That is the way the charter reads. The school was founded to teach students the art of physical education and secretarial work so they could be placed internationally in the Y. M. C. A.'s. Now they train for all types of colleges and schools.

Did you know—well enough of your time. Be at the newstand next issue and we'll try to get some more interesting facts for you.

May you live all the days of your life.

A planet is a body of earth surrounded by sky.

Three kinds of blood vessels are arteries, veins, and caterpillars.



# Freshmen Welcomed With Classy New Handbook And Harvest Dance

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### Seven Students Win Honors, Scholarships

An important feature of the commencement exercises last June was the announcement of honors won by members of the graduating class and other students at Springfield Northeastern.

Four members of the senior class received commencement honors: Robert Watson Hutton in the Management Curriculum, and John Edward Buckley, Benjamin Patrick Astley, and Robert Beech Powell in the Engineering and Business Curriculum.

Three scholarships for underclassmen were awarded:

The Sophomore scholarship donated by the [redacted] of the class of '32, who had achieved the highest average grades in all courses for the first two years.

The Lower-Middler scholarship, the gift of the Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority, was won by Richard E. Blackburn '53, for the highest average grades over the first three years.

The Junior scholarship, given by the Delta Chapter of the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity in memory of the late Dean Russell Whitney, was won by Marion Premont '49, for the highest average over the first five years.

### Needed Engineering Equipment Purchased

For several years the university has felt the need for new and modern equipment for use in classes in engineering.

Before opening of the college year in September several thousand dollars had been spent to provide a substantial quantity of the needed equipment.

In addition to various conventional instruments for the study of electricity, the purchase included a Gieger Counter for the detection of radio-active material; a large-scale galvanometer for measuring electric currents, usually by means of their magnetic effect; an optical bench, for studying lenses and optical phenomena; a new balance; a delineascope; and a ballistic pendulum for studying impact.

### Enrollment Reaches Nearly Seven Hundred

Enrollment at Springfield Northeastern is slightly higher than last year. As of October 9, the total enrollment was 687 students as compared to last year's figure of 660.

This year 258 students are listed in the accounting curriculum, 161 in management, 243 in engineering and business, and 25 in pre-college courses.

The 1948-49 freshman class is somewhat smaller than last year's, with 176 students as compared with last year's total of 209.

Veterans comprise about eighty percent of the total enrollment.

### Cost Accountants Seek Junior Members

The NACA (National Association of Cost Accountants) through its publicity director Mr. R. F. Wormwood has announced its desire to accept, as Junior members, students at Northeastern University. Mr. Wormwood says, "It is felt that such affiliation with the undergraduates of Northeastern is to the mutual advantage of both the students and the Association."

We are all familiar with the work of the local NACA. We take advantage of the countless Accounting volumes that it annually contributes to the City Library. We attend the Business Show it holds each year. More than likely we meet active members as they proceed to attend those discussion groups at Northeastern.

If you are a member of this group the particular **BENEFITS TO YOU WOULD BE:**

1. Receive the Springfield Chapter Monthly Dues Letter
2. Receive the Forum—the National NACA magazine which discusses accounting trends. This publication will probably help you at the school.
3. Be able to attend the discussion forums at Northeastern at practically no cost.
4. Meet practicing Accountants who will be able to show you numerous applications of the theory you are learning.

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### Harvest And Hallowe'en Themes Of Frosh Reception And Dance

#### Distinguished Citizens Appointed To Board

On November 30, Mr. John D. Churchill, director of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, announced the appointment of Dr. William C. Hill, principal-emeritus of Classical High School; Irving C. Jacobs, vice-president of the Gilbert and Barker Company and Judge Donald M. Macaulay to the board of Governors.

Dr. Hill is well known throughout New England by the school and college men. He was principal of Classical High School from 1910 until his recent retirement. Before coming to Springfield Dr. Hill served in various schools in Maine and Massachusetts.

Dr. Hill graduated from Brown University with a bachelor of arts degree. Later he was awarded honorary master of arts degrees from Brown and Harvard. Other awards were an honorary Litt.D. from Mount Holyoke and an L.H.D. from Amherst. Dr. Hill also served as president of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and of the Headmasters' Association.

Judge Macaulay, the second new member, was born in Springfield. After graduating from Classical High School he entered Dartmouth College. He graduated in the class of 1918 with a bachelor of arts degree, though he had left college earlier to join the Naval Air Corps. Judge Macaulay served as a combat pilot attached to the British Air Corps, and later with our own forces. Later he worked with the Springfield Union Staff, and at the same time he entered Springfield's Northeastern University Law School. In 1924 he graduated cum laude with an L.L.B. degree.

Since his graduation Judge Macaulay has been prominent in the Republican Party and in the civic affairs of his city. Last spring Governor Bradford promoted him to Judge of the Hampden County Probate Court.

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The Annual Freshman Reception and Harvest Dance, sponsored by the Student Council was held on Saturday evening, October 30, at Blake's Restaurant.

The purpose of the affair, which took the form of a Hallowe'en party, was to give the freshmen an opportunity to meet fellow students and members of the faculty and to initiate them into the good fellowship that prevails at Springfield Northeastern.

The Hallowe'en theme was carried out in the decorations, with corn stalks in the corners of the room, and orange candles on the tables arranged around the dance floor. Even the favors, match books with "Northeastern University, October 30, 1948," printed on the front were in Hallowe'en orange and black.

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### Macaulay '24 Named Judge Of Probate

A distinguished alumnus of Springfield Northeastern Law School, Donald M. Macaulay '24, was appointed judge of probate and insolvency for Hampden County by Governor Robert Bradford last spring.

Judge Macaulay was sworn in at an impressive ceremony in the hall of justice, attended by members of the judiciary and the Hampden County bar; state, county, and city officials; and a large group of friends. Judge Thomas H. Stapleton administered the oath.

A graduate of Springfield Central High School and Dartmouth College, Mr. Macaulay served overseas in the navy and air force during the first World War. After his discharge he undertook the study of Law at Northeastern.

He has taken an active part in the affairs of the community, having served as city solicitor, and twice been a candidate for Mayor. As an attorney and a public-spirited citizen he has earned the respect of his fellow citizens.

Congratulations from Northeastern. Judge Macaulay.



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## LAZY GENIUSES

Picture yourself lying back in a soft easy chair with your favorite beverage, milk or otherwise, close at hand. You needn't have a guilty conscience because you will be studying. No boring text books are staring at you, but instead you listen to your lesson. By listening to lessons during working hours, if possible, and in spare time, you can learn more easily than by reading the text.

How can you hear your lesson? The credit goes to science. Science has developed a wire recorder which can record and after it has been used, the sound can be removed to allow another recording on the same wire.

Instructors could explain the evening's lesson for each student to make his own recording to study from as homework.

Thanks to science again for discovering that facts often repeated to a sleeping person make an impression on the person's brain which enables him to learn more rapidly while conscious.

The time may not be far in the future when we can all become lazy geniuses, but until then, we'd better keep our books, and use them.

## THE HABIT OF CHEERFULNESS

How many friends have been gained and jobs attained by acquiring the habit of cheerfulness?

It seems strange to call cheerfulness a habit. But isn't that what it is?

Some mornings you wake up and feel like rolling back over. But get up you do because you must. The day is dreary and you feel like a fit companion to it.

But when you meet an acquaintance you still say good morning and inquire about his health. After a few greetings you start to feel a bit better.

You start your day's work in a slightly better frame of mind. A couple of hours and you are starting to feel swell.

Then something goes wrong. A machine breaks down and you face hours of hard dirty tedious repair work. You feel like blowing your top. But you stop. Take it easy!

When you are calm you tackle the job. Perhaps you joke a bit. So that the work doesn't take as long as you expected. You laugh and joke. Not because you have any reason to, but because you find that being cheerful makes annoyances seem trivial.

So you acquire this habit of cheerfulness and find it is one habit that aids and does not hinder you.

## A Man I Knew

Omaha Beach was a bee hive of excitement. Barrage balloons kept all chance German aircraft at a high altitude. Landing ships and barges and water craft of all descriptions were bringing military personnel and equipment ashore. St. Lo was still in German hands.

Our company was bivouaced in a farmer's orchard when the Spaniards first arrived. They had been liberated that day by the advancing G.I.s and given employment in various outfits by Uncle Sam. About two hundred strong, the short swarthy men were so unaccustomed to kind treatment that only our shouts of "Amigos" gave them any assurance that the situation had really changed.

All sorts of clothing were in evidence, remnants of civilian clothes, German caps and boots, and a few G.I. blankets and shirts. In the faces could be detected the effects of lack of nutritive food and of the misery endured under the hands of their German oppressors.

A tall, gaunt man among them held my attention, as he towered over most of the others. A shock of snow-white

hair covered his head. His eyes were an icy blue, but had a kind expression to them. His face showed the suffering he too had endured, but his walk and posture told us that his spirit was not broken.

At that time ammunition was badly needed, and our company, being one of the few ammunition companies in the area, was hard pressed. Our newly acquired laborers never slackened and never displayed signs of weariness, but worked unceasingly in their around-the-clock shifts.

During my tours of inspection of the men and ammunition work I was able better to understand the Spaniards. The tall one, named Florian, told me most of the men were from Madrid. They were all Nationalists who resented Franco's doctrines to the point that they left their homes and came to France. Everything went well until Hitler began his rampage. They then were herded into prison and remained prisoners of the Reich until released by the Americans.

As the allies advanced, we moved forward supplying the lines with essential ammunition. Towns and cities were left behind, some in shambles and some intact. At every opportunity Florian and I would talk about Spain.

## Briton Opens SC Lecture Series

The first in a series of lectures sponsored by the Student Council was held in the lower dining hall of the Y.M.C.A., after school on December 7.

Donald McLachlan, speaking on the general theme of Britain's role in current international affairs, discussed "What Britain Thinks of American Aid." Mr. McLachlan, formerly foreign correspondent and British Intelligence officer, is now the assistant editor in charge of the foreign department of London's world-renowned weekly, "The Economist."

The opportunity to hear a discussion of world affairs and especially of American participation in them from a fresh point of view was appreciated by the audience, which gave the distinguished guest absorbed attention throughout his lecture.

Watch the bulletin for announcement of other lectures in this series.

How he did love his home! Tears would fill his eyes as he mentioned his wife and children left behind. Then he would change to happier subjects as he told of the gay fiestas, the dark-eyed senoritas, the bustling market places, the over-all joy of a happy land. Never once did he relinquish his belief in a better future for his country. His hope for a free Spain was so contagious that I too believed.

Finally we reached Germany itself and established our last quarters on European soil. The days were sunny and warm as VE day neared. Tension and excitement seized all of us. Florian was sure that the days of a free Spain were not far off. There was much celebrating with champagne and cognac when the fighting ceased. Florian's enthusiasm was without bounds.

At that time I entered the hospital for an essential operation which I had been postponing. I remained for approximately a month. Upon my return to my company I was informed that Florian had died of a heart attack. My spirits were as low as those of his own companions. But I knew that he had died happy in the belief that with Hitler's reign ended Spain would not be long in dropping the shackles from a freedom-loving people.

Florian taught me a great lesson which all of us need to learn. Freedom is a priceless possession, but we seldom realize its value until we have lost it.

Patrick Henry: "What did Franklin say when he discovered electricity in lightning?"

George Washington: "Nothing, he was too shocked."

Professor: "What does a dash before a sentence is finished mean?"

Voice From Rear: "I know a guy that tried that and it meant five more years at hard labor."

## Monkey Trouble

During the recent excursions that service men took to the Southwest Pacific, many found hobbies to help pass away the weary days.

There was one particular sailor who took a fancy to pets, especially monkeys. It seems he made buddies with one on Mindoro in the Philippines, and without permission from the skipper he brought him aboard. It wasn't until we were a day out of Mindoro that the skipper found out about the monkey. Being good natured he told the sailor he could keep him provided the monkey was kept tied up.

Everything was fine until one day the undergrown ape got free and decided to tour the ship. He found contentment and joy going through the skipper's locker. The skipper gave a warning to the sailor, who in turn promised it would never happen again. The monkey didn't live up to his master's promise, and made another visit to the skipper's ward room. This was too much for the old man, so he decided to get rid of the monkey at the next port of call.

Hollandia, New Guinea, came within view after a few days, and preparations were being made to drop anchor. At this point the skipper gave orders to tie the monkey to the anchor. With innocent eyes the little monkey went down with the anchor.

After a clangor  
This was brought to the attention of the skipper. Looking over the side to see what the trouble was, he saw the monkey climbing up the chain with the anchor on his back.

Professor: "Take thirteen from twenty. What's the difference?"

Lazy Pupil: "That's what I say—who cares?"

Customer: "I want to buy a pencil."

Clerk: "Hard or soft?"

Customer: "Hard, it's for a stiff exam."

The dean had just scolded an erring student for bad behavior.

The student retorted, "Let me tell you we have a wonderful family tree."

"The tree is all right, but the crop is a failure," was the dean's reply.

Too much sap, probably!

Neighbor: "What did your son learn at college?"

Proud Parent: "Well, he hadn't been home a week before he showed me how to open beer bottles with a half dollar."

Old School Friend: "Where have you been for the last four years?"

Young Interne: "At college taking medicine."

Old School Friend: "And did you finally get well?"



## Northeastern Greet Four New Profs

Four new instructors, Sidney P. Brown, Louis T. Cormier, Dr. Edward A. H. Fuchs, and Maurice D. Triouleyre, have begun their work in Springfield Northeastern classrooms this year.

**Sidney P. Brown**

Though appointed in 1947 to the faculty of Springfield Northeastern, Sidney P. Brown is new to students here as an instructor. The occasion for the commencement of his services came suddenly in the past fall when he assumed the vacancy in salesmanship and management occasioned by the departure of Mr. Thomas A. Henry from the Springfield area.

Mr. Brown is a graduate of Newton High School and Deerfield Academy with an A.B. degree from Bowdoin College in 1927. He has had extensive experience in the field of business in general and sales in particular through connections with the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and the Personal Finance Company of Cambridge in the years following college, with the Frank M. Kinney Agency and for himself from 1929 to 1942 in Springfield, and then in the sales department of the Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., to 1948. He now is assistant to Mr. Henry & Conn.

He is a member of the Chi Psi fraternity, the governing boards of Bowdoin College, and a former secretary of the Western Massachusetts Bowdoin Alumni Association. Mr. Brown is married and lives at 71 Wexford Street.

**Louis T. Cormier**

Louis T. Cormier began his work as instructor in accounting at the opening of the college year.

He is no stranger to Springfield Northeastern, since he holds a degree of bachelor of business Administration from the University, is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity, and life time president of his class.

Mr. Cormier is a certified public accountant and is a partner in the firm of Fred A. Wright & Co., certified public accountants. He is a member of the American Institute of Accountants, the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the National Association of Cost Accountants.

He is married and lives at 43 Maple Street, Ludlow.

**Dr. E. A. H. Fuchs**

A new instructor in Freshman English, Dr. Edward A. H. Fuchs, entered upon his duties at Springfield Northeastern at the beginning of the college year.

Dr. Fuchs has been editor at the G. and C. Merriam Co., publishers of Webster dictionaries, since 1943. His

previous experience included two years in the military intelligence service of the United States Army and college teaching at the University of Indiana and at Center College in Kentucky.

Dr. Fuchs is a graduate of the University of Chicago, with majors in education and German. He received a bachelor of philosophy degree with honors. He took his doctor's degree also at the University of Chicago in 1933.

**Maurice D. Triouleyre**

Maurice D. Triouleyre, new instructor in cost accounting, is a native of Gorham, Maine, and a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the class of 1932.

While in the employ of the American Bosch Corp. of Springfield, he took courses in accounting at Springfield Northeastern. After several years experience as cost accountant and production manager, he entered the armed forces where he saw service as a captain and a battalion staff officer in the Pacific Theater.

At the present time Mr. Triouleyre is chief accountant of the Wico Electric Co. He is a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants.

He has a wife and one child. His House is at 80 Hawthorne Street, Longmeadow.

## Downey '50 Heads Student Council

Under the leadership of President Henry T. Downey '50, the Student Council of sixteen members has entered upon its many activities this year with determination to make this a banner year for constructive accomplishment.

Other Council officers are Edmond W. McNamara '49, vice president; Marion F. Premont '49, secretary; and Raymond A. Robillard '52, treasurer.

The members of the Council, representing degree students of all the classes in the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, include:

From the class of 1949: George S. Jackson and Martin Sawa.

From the class of 1950: William I. Lundberg and Roger J. Sullivan.

From the class of 1951: Carl E. Glans, Edward T. Kennedy, and Herbert A. Pace.

From the class of 1952: Gordon R. Grubert.

From the class of 1953: Raymond W. Allard, John J. Garvey, Joseph A. Milner, and William W. Sharpe.

The work of the Student Council is doubly important in Springfield Northeastern, where students have small opportunity to meet socially. It serves as a unifying force, initiating activities which bring students together outside of the classroom and which contribute to the constant improvement of the school.

It acts as a liason between adminis-

## Eileen Griffin '46 Governor's Secretary

Eileen P. Griffin '46, has been named as private secretary to the new governor of the Commonwealth, the Honorable Paul E. Dever.

Miss Griffin is now a student in the School of Law at Boston University, in addition to her services to the Governor. She is well remembered by many undergraduates and recent alumni of Springfield Northeastern, however, as one of the most brilliant students that have been members of the School of Business at this division of the University throughout its history. She completed five years of her work with a A and B record, in candidacy for a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting, before matriculating at the School of Law at Boston University.

She not only was a very competent student, but an active and popular member of the undergraduate body while here. She was a member of Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority and for four of her five years a member of the Student Council. She served capably as secretary of the Council her last two years here, a real distinction even for a man in this essentially masculine institution.

## Veterans' Education Sound Investment

Thousands of World War II veterans are currently taking advantage of the educational opportunities offered by our government. Since tuition and other expenses are paid by our government, many veterans are acquiring an education they could not otherwise afford. In addition, students are given generous subsistence allowances to aid them financially. For the student with a family, the subsistence allowance is more than welcome. Precious time, that might be spent earning a few extra dollars to supplement the family income, can be diverted to study.

This program of education is costing millions of dollars, but it is money wisely spent. Our government is investing in the future. Education will improve our standard of living, prolong our scientific supremacy, and insure national security.

We could have given veterans a cash bonus instead of offering educational opportunities. However, a cash bonus might be foolishly spent or benefit a person only for a limited time. An education pays dividends for life, both to the veteran and to his government.

It sponsors the publication of the Nor'easter.

## Alden Reynolds Now Lieut. Colonel

Known to but few of the present undergraduates is Alden C. Reynolds, now a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force and holding high responsibility with respect to the business affairs of the Air Force. Lt. Col. Reynolds is expected to take his degree with the class of 1949 after majoring in accounting. His original class was 1937, after transferring from the Bentley School of Accounting.

Colonel Reynolds is stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, but does a lot of jumping around in addition to finishing a few requirements for his degree here this spring by some work at Sinclair College in Dayton. The last we heard from him was when he landed at Westover recently enroute from a six weeks' tour of duty in Europe.

## Owed To The Bulletin

Although you come to school three nights a week, you probably do not notice the important function one particular thing plays in helping to keep the school operating smoothly. This little but important thing is the bulletin board.

Where do you go when you enter the school? One of the first things you look at is the bulletin board, isn't it? Upon this board you look for information of all kinds. You find dates for examinations and makeup classes, information for the veterans, opportunities for jobs, and many other notices to be brought to your attention.

Have you ever thought what it would be like if the school did not have a bulletin board? If the information was read in your classes, it would take much of your valuable time. Some of the things you would be interested in might be of no interest to your classmates, therefore, it would be wasting their time.

The next time you look at the bulletin board, think how helpful it is to you and the school.

## APPOINTED TO BOARD

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The third new member, Mr. Jacobs was born in Connecticut. After coming to Massachusetts and graduating from Ware High School in 1922, he graduated from Springfield's Northeastern University in the class of 1926 with a bachelor of Commercial science degree in administration. He was elected as life-long president of his class. He was also a member of the Pi Tau Fraternity.

While attending Northeastern Mr. Jacobs entered the employ of Gilbert and Barker. In 1929 the company sent him to their plant in Australia as manager. He returned to the homeplant in 1942, but he is still director of the Australia plant.



# Fraternity And Sorority Active; Profs Dine And Meet New Governors

## Pi Tau Kappa Plans, Enjoys Busy Season

The annual business meeting of Pi Tau Kappa was held June 5, 1948, at Potter Mansion, Sorrowtown. The following officers were elected: President, Robert Jahn; Vice-president, Robert Welch; Secretary, Warren C. Christensen; Treasurer, Charles Dinnie; Chaplain, Frank Curtis; Historian, Carl Winterle and "Co-Operator" Associate Editor, J. W. Bromage. Executive Committee—Robert Flint, Harley Goodrich and Robert Hutton. Governors—David Duncan, Robert Hutton, Alfred MacLennon and Paul Theilig.

The annual picnic was held at Look Park in Northampton, on July 11. About eighty attended including wives and girl friends of fraternity brothers.

The annual golf tournament was held at the Franconia golf course on August 29. First prize, a no. 5 wood, was won by Dick Gove. Other prizes were also awarded.

The Interchapter Convention was held in the Emerald Room at the Hotel Charles, on October 16. At this meeting dates were set for the Governor's Visitation, and the annual Interchapter Competition. The initiates at this meeting were Carl Searles, Denny Richter and Elmer Jameson.

A past president's night was held at Blake's Restaurant on November 20. Six past presidents attended—Harley Goodrich, Robert Hutton, Paul Theilig, Alfred MacLennon, Carl Vester and Bill Holmes.

Robert Hutton was presented a past-president's pin by the president, Robert Jahn. After the dinner movies were shown. A short business meeting was held before the initiation activities began. The initiates were: Michael Ulich, Henry Bradford, Richard Linton, Donald Withee and Frank Stanley.

Other activities scheduled by the fraternity for this year are listed below: Dec. 17, Annual Christmas Party—Smorgasbord—Dancing, Capt. Charles Leonard House, Agawam.

Jan. 29, Old Timer's Night—Entertainment—Initiation—Church of the Unity.

March 5, Ladies' Night—Supper—Entertainment—Dancing Blake's Restaurant.

April 2, Governor's Visitation—Speaker—Initiation Sheraton Hotel.

May 7, Annual Interchapter Competition at Beta, Worcester, Mass. Entertainment for ladies—Initiation—Banquet—Dancing.

Patient: "How much will the operation cost?"  
Doc: "Seventy-Five dollars."  
Patient: "Will it be dangerous?"  
Doc: "No—you can't get a dangerous operation today for Seventy-Five dollars."

## FROSH RECEPTION

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Director John D. Churchill spoke briefly welcoming the new students and telling them a little about the school.

Dancing was enjoyed from eight to twelve, with a grand march at nine. Al Strohmman and his orchestra supplied both moderate music for the elderly and jivy tunes for the younger set.

Cider and doughnuts made their appearance in sufficient quantities so that everyone could have three or four helpings.

Mr. Robert C. Weller and Mr. John Sutcliffe, together with Director Churchill, represented the faculty.

All freshmen were invited guests and for them the affair was "on the house" or rather "on the Student Council."

## COST ACCOUNTANTS

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5. Be able to keep well informed about changes in the Accounting world.

7. Be able to benefit by National publications and have the advantage of being able to submit any problem to the National NACA for solution by members.

## YOUR DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP ARE:

1. Any one under 24 years of age is eligible for membership.

The annual dues are \$10.00 per year. Membership may be begun at any time during the year.

2. If you are 24 years of age, you can join under the Personal or Company membership. The Personal membership entails a \$10.00 initiation fee and \$20.00 yearly dues.

3. You will be expected to abide by NACA rules and to participate in its activities.

We know that all students will be keenly interested in joining this organization. You will be able to further your knowledge of Accounting as well as widen your associations with practical Accountants.

Application blanks may be secured from the Registrar, Mr. Weller, — DON'T FORGET TO GET YOURS.

## Program Highlights For This Year Are As Follows:

Third Wednesday—September to May, inclusive

Hotel Sheraton  
70 Chestnut Street,  
Springfield, Mass.

Fellowship Period 6:00 P.M.  
Dinner 6:30 P.M.  
Technical Session 7:30 P.M.

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December 15, 1948 Annual Christmas Party.

Subject: "Motivation for Profitable Office Operation."

Speaker: Dr. Marion A. Bills.

January 19, 1949

Subject: "What is Ahead of Us?"

Speaker: William L. Bennett.

February 2, 1949. Annual Smorgasbord Details to be announced later.

February 16, 1949.

Subject: "Problems of Inventory Control."

Speaker: N. Madison Cartmell

March 16, 1949.

Subject: "Training Within the Organization as a Means of Cost Reduction."

Speaker: Walter B. Gerould.

April 6, 1949 Plant Visitation.

A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc. Chicopee, Mass.

April 20, 1949.

Subject: "The Analysis and Control of Distribution Costs."

Speaker: Professor Clarence B. Nickerson.

May 18, 1949.

Subject: "The Current Tax Outlook."

Speaker: Maxwell E. McDowell.

## Director Speaks At Faculty Dinner

Director John D. Churchill gave the principal address at the annual dinner

to introduce new governors and instructors at the Hotel Sheraton on December 2. The director of the Springfield division of Northeastern spoke on the goal of a university education to make persons "fit to perform fully, successfully, and magnanimously all the offices, both public and private, of peace and war."

In praising the faculty members Mr. Churchill told the instructors he was confident they were teaching not just "to turn an honest dollar" but because they feel there is an opportunity to help the students "from 18 to 48" who come to Springfield Northeastern.

Judge Donald M. Macauley, a Northeastern law school graduate, and Irving C. Jacobs, new members of the board of governors, were introduced, as were the new instructors. Dr. William C. Hill, retired principal of Classical High School, who was also recently elected to the board of governors, was unable to attend.

Other governors present were: Robert R. Emerson, chairman; Roe S. Clark, Horace J. Rice, George W. Rice, Charles E. Lee, Earl H. Paine, Blake A. Hoover, and Harley B. Goodrich. Stanley Smith was not present.

A Pennsylvania town is advertising for a drug store. It seems the regular restaurant has closed down.

The man who has no future is the man who always thinks of the future as tomorrow.

## New Girls Introduced To Sorority Members

There were big doings Monday evening, November 1, in the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority Room at 9.05 P.M. Chairs were brought in from the library for the overflow, and a regular Sorority business meeting proceeded.

Proposed events to be scheduled for the coming year were discussed. The President, Lorraine Sosville, introduced five new Freshmen girls to the regular members present: Helga Jacobson, Irene Czapienski, Pat Haggerty, Lena Rossi, and Alice Kozaczka. These new girls were acquainted with the aims of the Sorority and the wish was expressed that they participate in the affairs of the group as much as possible.

Refreshments of cider and doughnuts were served and a get-acquainted session followed.

## Handbook Prepared By Student Council

The freshmen entering Northeastern in 1948 have been presented with an individual Freshman Handbook.

The administration of Northeastern University recognized the need for a Freshman Handbook devoted primarily to information valuable to a freshman. A council meeting was held to discuss the desire for a much-needed Freshman Handbook.

Before graduation, at a summer meeting, an editorial committee was appointed. This committee consisted of William Sharpe, Chairman; Henry Downey, Raymond Robillard, Marion Premont and John Garvey. Handbook material was submitted to them by all members of the Student Council.

After much rewriting and careful revision, the copy went to Mr. Churchill and Mr. Weller for approval. Mr. Miller also assisted in supplying material which was not readily available. After all corrections were made, the handbook went to the press to be published. The expenses connected with this booklet were paid through the Student Activity Fee which is paid by every student.

Each member of the Freshman Class was given the 16-page pocketsize, red and black booklet just before the Freshman Reception and Dance which was held the latter part of October. Besides containing the full details about Northeastern, the Handbook also had attached to its pages a free ticket to the reception.

The Student Council deserves a great deal of credit for this achievement which is and will be appreciated by all members of Northeastern.

The things the average drug store carries nowadays are apt to make you sick.



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## Class Preparing For Commencement

Twenty-six undergraduates, to judge by present indications, will be awarded bachelor of business administration degrees at Commencement on June 8, it was announced today by the Office of the Registrar, at graduation exercises in Faith Congregational Church in Springfield at 8:00 p.m.

Undergraduates are urged to attend both the baccalaureate service on the previous Sunday as well as Commencement itself. Tickets for admission will be available in limited quantity at the bookstore and will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

Robert D. Jahn has been elected President of the class of '49. Other class officers include Marian F. Premont as secretary and Charles D. Dinnie as treasurer. Committees have been appointed to arrange activities of the seniors during Commencement Week.

Members of the class include John E. Bly, John W. Bromage, Gordon H. Chandler, Joseph J. Chechile, Francis B. Connor, Joseph P. Curran, Alfred Dietrich, Charles D. Dinnie, Margaret R. Downey, Robert P. Driscoll, Donald A. Ferguson, Donald J. Ferguson, George B. Gunderson, George S. Jackson, Robert D. Jahn, William P. Jones, James B. Kelley, Edmond W. McNamara, John F. Panda, Marian F. Premont, Robert E. Sharpe, Harold Stratos, John S. Tharion, John G. Tilley, O. Peter Ugolini, Edwin E. Vincent, and Adam J. Korabowski.

## Watch Out, G. I.'s

A recent amendment to Public Law 346 is of interest to all veterans.

Before the change was made, it was possible for a veteran to discontinue his studies at Springfield Northeastern and to recommence training at a later date without obtaining a new certificate of eligibility from the Veterans Administration.

However, it is now necessary for such veterans to obtain new certification, regardless of the reason for their discontinuing their studies.

It has thus become doubly desirable for a veteran who feels he must withdraw from classes to make sure that his reason for withdrawal is a valid one.

## STRAIGHT A's PLUS

So YOU say that it's impossible to hold down a responsible position and to win honors in college at the same time? The following five people have managed to do just that. Each is a regular student with a full program, and each completed the first semester with an "A" in each subject. They are: Richard C. Blackburn, '51, Management; Alice V. Kozaczka, '54, Accounting; Lena J. Rossi, '54, Accounting; Doris L. St. Germain, '50, Accounting; and James D. Shonak, '52 Accounting.

Both Dick Blackburn and Jim Shonak are married men with families and both are veterans.

## Management Students Run Own Enterprises

Of special interest are the several Northeastern students in the Management Curriculum who are now operating their own business enterprises.

Walter Uhlman, still a supervisor at Westinghouse, has started a bakery business, while Raymond J. Bergeron, formerly a coremaker at the Chapman Valve Company, now operates the Mansett Core-Making Company in Willimansett.

Edward J. Smith, formerly a traffic consultant, has purchased a trucking business licensed to operate between Springfield and Spencer. He is president of the new concern.

Joseph Hurley, formerly an organizer for the American Federation of Labor, now owns the Burwin Chemical System. Walter T. Howard is the owner of the Howard Lumber Company.

From the Accounting Curriculum, Jean B. Bradish has expanded her business activities. She now operates a convalescent home in addition to maintaining the accounting service she established several years ago. Somehow she manages to do all this and yet continue to attend classes and look after her home and family.

Anthony Martignetti, formerly in the Engineering and Business Curriculum, is now the owner and manager of an industrial catering service. He was forced to discontinue his studies temporarily but plans to return next year.

## 'N' Award And Presentation Of 'Queen' Will Feature Dance

### Seniors To Receive Degrees June 8

Commencement Week at Springfield Northeastern will open with the Baccalaureate service at Faith Church the forenoon of Sunday, June 5. The address will be delivered by Dr. Alden S. Mosshammer of Faith Church. The next event is Class Day, Monday, June 6; the time, place, and speakers, who are elected in this case by their classmates, have not yet been announced.

The Commencement Exercises are on the evening of Wednesday, June 8, and will be held at Faith Church. The Commencement address will be given by a clergyman well known as the pastor for a number of years of the Broadway Tabernacle Church in New York, now a professor at the Boston University School of Theology, Dr. Allan K. Chalmers. Dr. Chalmers will be remembered by many in the Connecticut Valley as a one-time pastor of the old West Springfield Congregational Church.

Commencement Week will be concluded with the annual Alumni Reunion dinner and business meeting on (Continued on page 4)

### Eight Seniors Win Provisional Awards

The Administration announces the appointment of the following members of the graduating class as provisional Commencement speakers: Joseph Curran, James Kelley, Adam Korabowski, Edmond McNamara, John Panda, Marian Premont, John Tharion, and Peter Ugolini. These appointments are in the nature of honorary awards in recognition of the scholastic achievement of these students during their undergraduate careers.

Two of this group will be selected to be the undergraduate speakers on the commencement program June 8. Selection will be on a competitive basis.

Judges will include Director John D. Churchill, Mr. Weller, Mr. Chatto, Mr. Doane, and Associate Dean Miller.

The thirtieth Annual Spring Dance will be held in the Roman Room at the Hotel Highland on Saturday, April 23, at 6:30 p.m. This dance, sponsored annually by the Student Council, is the highlight of the Northeastern social calendar.

Dean Albert E. Everett and Professor Howard F. Green, both from the Boston campus, will be guest speakers of the evening. Representing the administration and teaching staff of the Springfield Division will be Director John D. Churchill; Registrar Robert C. Weller, Jr.; Mr. Leonard C. Flowers of the Physics department; and Mr. Clarence I. Chatto of the English department.

Henry T. Downey, president of the Student Council, will preside over the occasion. Outstanding features of the (Continued on Page 4)

### Upper Classmen Taking Inventory

Members of the Upper Middled and Junior Classes are surveying the road ahead.

Associate Dean Guy D. Miller is now interviewing members of these two classes concerning their plans for fulfilling the degree requirements for either the undergraduate thesis or business reading reports. These requirements are listed in detail in the catalog.

Six students who have otherwise completed degree requirements will not graduate this June because of failure to hand in their readings or thesis on time.

Conferences with Dean Miller can be arranged by contacting Mrs. Judith in the office. Appointments will be made for Thursday evenings, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., up until the end of the final examination period. No conferences will be arranged during the summer months. Those students who are to hand in readings reports at the time of registration in the fall should make sure now that their plans are approved by Dean Miller. Copies of the pamphlets describing proper outlines and procedures to follow are available in the Office.



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## Stuart Dennis

This is a story of courage and tragedy . . . . The story of a man whom we might have known . . . . A man with an amazing philosophy of life, who, for a short period, studied among us here at Northeastern.

Perhaps he would not have liked the use of words as "Courage," "Devotion," and "Strength of Character," in describing him. He may have preferred a much more simple wording for his epitaph. But . . . somehow it is difficult to write about Stuart Dennis without dramatizing his character.

He was well known throughout this region for his athletic achievements and his contribution to the development of the youthful athletes of his community. He was an outstanding tennis player and basketball coach. His interest in the young people of high school age, to whom he was both counsellor and sports instructor, endeared him to the hearts of many.

About a year ago, he underwent surgery in Boston for the removal of a brain tumor. Following the operation, he returned to his home in West Springfield. After what seemed to be a complete recovery, he resumed his activities as sports instructor at the West Springfield YMCA.

It was about this time that he enrolled at Northeastern. Not many of us got to know him, and those that did meet and talk with him, suspected nothing of the secret that he kept so well concealed. A secret that would have left most of us bewildered and panic-stricken.

For he had been told, after his operation, that he had less than a year to live.

In January, he left his studies at Northeastern. Soon after, he retired from all activity. Then suddenly, three weeks later, he passed away. The final curtain had rung down on an amazing drama of life and stalking death.

Let's not classify Stuart Dennis as a hero, nor judge him by our inadequate standard of courage. He did not intend to leave the impression of heroism. The impression he did leave was of a man living with a purpose. In this purpose he left us a lesson; a lesson that relatively few of us ever learn as well as he had.

That . . . devoting one's time to helping others leaves very little time for self p

## Know Where You're Going

Now is a good time for us to sit down and examine critically our educational and vocational plans for the future.

The world, and particularly our nation, is experiencing a readjustment process. In our country it now seems that the peak of the inflationary period is passed. A gradual "return to normal" in the economic sense is upon us.

To some of us in marginal positions, this has already meant the losing of one's job. And the rest of us are, in the main, no longer comfortably secure in the knowledge that our job is "safe," that we need not concern ourselves about the future. The drifter is being replaced by the more mature, better integrated person.

Because of our University's unique position in the community of being the only institution offering college-level training in conjunction with on the job training, we are fortunate in having an educational and vocational plan available. However, the success with which we fit ourselves into that plan depends largely on our own efforts.

We can help ourselves—and our community, nation, and world—by making conscientious effort to make this educational-vocational plan more effective. We may influence others to come to Springfield Northeastern with us. We may raise the level of classroom discussion. We may ably challenge the opinions of others who believe differently from us. And we may make a concrete and substantial contribution to society as a whole.

Let us, therefore, take stock of ourselves and apply the lesson learned to the immediate future.

It was noticed recently that the picture of a good looking alumnus of the Class of 1930, Edward G. Shea, was included in a news photograph with Governor Dever on some western Massachusetts visitation. Shea is now a member of the Governor's Council.

Another Springfield Northeastern alumnus whose name has been well

and favorably known throughout western Massachusetts and the State for a couple decades for political activity at Beacon Hill is that of Senator Ralph V. Clampit, '28. Senator Clampit is one of the men who spear-headed recently the effort to prevent the rather questionable appointment of a second judge in our western Massachusetts district.

## IN MINIATURE

The sun was a golden orb in the heavens when our convoy bade farewell to Tré Vierge, Belgium, and crossed over into Luxembourg.

Conversation was a forgotten thing as we noted in mute prospect the crosses of our dead, intermingled with the foliage and woodlands off to the sides of the road. Wehrmacht helmets mounted on stakes testified to the losses of the enemy. The once beautiful terrain attested to the agonies it had undergone. Acres of forest land, twisted and torn as though a giant ripsaw had ploughed through. Grazing lands with jagged scoops torn from their sides eased by in horrible confusion. Bloated bodies of horses and cows were frequent, innocent victims of a search for food among the mine fields.

Now and then we passed bands of people trudging along with the remains of their personal possessions in hope of finding shelter. They were an unsmiling people, with tragedy and despair written in the lines of their faces, their bent heads, their lagging steps.

The few towns we passed through were ghost-like in their appearance. Deprived of their men, the women in evidence were attempting to piece together and make livable their meagre household furnishings.

On and on we rode with the horrors of war confronting us at every turn in the road. We ate our noon-day meal of K rations without too much enthusiasm.

About mid-afternoon we left Luxembourg and entered Germany. Old Sol was riding high, casting his rays on all and sundry. No wind was stirring, and the dust aroused by the convoy was having a hey-day. Looking back from the leading jeep in which I rode, I barely glimpsed the rest of the convoy through the screening dust. Looking forward, I noticed that we were approaching the town of Flonheim. As we entered the town, a horn signal from a rear truck brought the convoy to a halt. The motor sergeant dashed up to the officer in charge and notified him that a "six by six" had motor trouble. The lieutenant ordered all personnel to dismount until repairs could be made. During the dismounting, the dusting-off, and general hubbub that followed, I wandered to a shade tree beside a farmer's fence and then relaxed on the grass.

A magnificent rooster of monstrous proportions was preening himself in the enclosure. He stood approximately two feet high, a kaleidoscope of flashing hues. With the sun reflecting from his shiny feathers, he commenced to strut about. His blue black body barely moved as he paraded. How erect and stiff he strutted about as though he knew he was being watched. Now he turned abruptly and goose-stepped back, his comb a magenta crown on his head. This

creature was indeed the king of the farm yard.

From the doorway of a barn, a smaller all-white rooster came into sight. He strode toward a water trough quite unconcerned. In a flash his huge brother had half flown, half leaped the gap between them and was on his back. The white one screeched and ran aimlessly about, trying to dislodge his appressor, but to no avail. The gargantuan one ripped with beak, tore with spurs, and slashed with wings. The excitement brought a bevy of squawking hens and chickens into the yard. The small rooster ran madly about, then darted under a brooding shack, causing the monarch to jump off. Noticing that his audience had greatly increased, he flapped his wings mightily and crowed victoriously to the high heavens. His subjects gathered about him, clucking and peeping in admiration. I rose from my vantage point in answer to the summons, "Let's go."

The motors in the rear vehicles coughed and roared into life as I boarded the jeep. As though by a signal from their king, the barnyard folk fled rapidly across the yard, through the open gate, and across the street. As our jeep started forward, the Don Juan of the coops ambled leisurely through the gate and paused at the side of the street. With twenty yards separating him from the jeep, looking neither right nor left, he stepped into the road. Our driver blew his horn to warn him, but the warning passed unheeded. With the moving convoy close behind us, we could not stop. I felt a slight thud as the jeep hit the rooster; then, the sickening crunch of bones as we passed over him. A blue-black feather floated upward, and I snatched it out of the air. Looking backward, I saw one wing and half his body desperately trying to pull up the broken, motionless other half. A second later he vanished beneath the dual tires of the truck behind us, and we continued through the town.

Some distance further I glanced around at the sound of crowing. From back to my left I saw the white chanticleer, his feathers now tinted with pink, standing in the doorway of the barn and crowing lustily.

I fingered the feather in my hand and mused that the scene I had just witnessed was a barnyard preview of the war's outcome in Europe. We all know now.

All Columbus did was discover America. Look what other people have done to it.

She: Well, what excuse have you for coming home at this hour?

He: Well, my dear, I was playing golf with some friends and . . .

She: What? At 2 a.m.?

He: Sure. We were using night clubs.



## Mosedale '36 Named Vice-President

In the annual statement of the Package Machinery Company of East Longmeadow we not only note that this local industry of national importance has had a good year but that it has added a new and good vice president of production to its group of officials, Harold Mosedale, Jr. '36. He graduated in the Engineering and Business curriculum and had the reputation with the administrative officers of Springfield Northeastern as being a distinctly above average citizen of the student body. He was with Package Machinery while a student and was transferred to New Jersey by the Company shortly after graduation only recently having been returned to the home plant. He came to Northeastern directly from Technical High School where he had a very fine record as to character and scholarship. His wisdom as well as his achievements since graduation include the selection of a fine Springfield Northeastern alumna as his wife, Muriel B. Anderson, '35, and a family achievement to date of five younger Mosedales, the first two, daughters; and the last three a triple male package.

## Goober Is Victor In Aspirin Derby

As I leafed through the pages of The Saturday Evening Post, the Goober Aspirin advertisement caught my attention.

"In two seconds Goober Aspirin is ready to go to work. You get fast relief when you are in pain. Drop a Goober Aspirin in a glass of water and time its disintegrating speed. What happens in the glass happens in your stomach. Make this test today."

Being a skeptical fellow, I decided to verify Goober's two second claim. Equipped with a glass of water and a stop watch, I made the test. The results were amazing. Although I made five individual tests, the best time I recorded was 2.3 seconds.

I immediately wrote to Goober Aspirin Company and informed them of my findings. In their letter of reply they thanked me for my interest in their product, and they informed me that their two second claim was based on carefully controlled tests made in their laboratory. The disintegrating speed of Goober Aspirin was checked regularly by a new \$10,000.00 timer. Furthermore, their tests had proven that Goober Aspirin disintegrated  $\frac{1}{2}$  second faster than any other aspirin.

In view of the facts presented in their letter, I felt that Goober's two second claim was justifiable. Whenever I have a headache, I always take a Goober Aspirin for I know that I will get relief  $\frac{1}{2}$  second sooner than if I took another brand. I do not like to endure pain any longer than necessary.

## Status Reports Mailed In June

The Office of the Registrar announces that the status reports, including grades for this semester and recommended courses for next year, will be mailed to the students during the month of June.

Tentative plans for registration are now being made. Students now enrolled will probably register in July, and new students will be registered during the month of August. It is expected that classes, particularly for the lower and upper middler years, will be particularly "tight."

Students with individual registration problems should plan to confer with the Registrar during the month of June but not before Commencement.

## Improvements Wanted

Why don't the school authorities think more of the students than they do? Why don't they do something to make life more pleasant? It is time that some improvements were made at Northeastern University in Springfield. Here are some improvements that will, I think, make life more bearable at school:

### Improvement No. 1.

I suggest that the University have the city council reserve all the side streets near Northeastern, especially Elliot, Edwards, Salem, and Chestnut streets for students, only, to park their cars. The instructors to be allowed to park their cars on these streets for a small fee of \$1.00 per night. The money collected will be put into a students' fund.

### Improvement No. 2.

I suggest that in the fall when the bad weather sets in, the University take over the Three Level Garage at the corner so the students will be able to park their cars inside. The instructors will continue to park their cars outside at a rate reduced to seventy-five cents per night.

### Improvement No. 3.

I suggest that elevators or escalators be installed. This will help the morale of the students. After working hard all day, then fighting for a parking space, it is very discouraging to have to climb two or three flights of stairs.

### Improvement No. 4.

I suggest that the classrooms be remodeled. Knock down the outside walls and put in floor length windows. Thus if a class becomes "boring" the students will not have to crane their necks to look out the windows. Of course, every student will have a desk next to a window. The instructor's desk will be located in the center of the room. He will then be able to pay attention to his work and will not be distracted by what is going on outside.

### Improvement No. 5

I suggest that radio with earphones be installed on every student's desk. With these, the student will be able to

## Col. A. C. Reynolds Goes To Washington

In the last NOR'EASTER we spoke of Lt. Col. Alden C. Reynolds, formerly of the Class of '37, as one of the men who would take his degree this June in the Class of '49. He was then stationed at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio with the air corps and recently back from a tour of duty of several weeks in Europe.

That tour of duty will postpone a new Reynold's completion of work for his degree at Northeastern. It took just too much time out of his attendance in the one course that he was taking at Sinclair College in Dayton to complete his requirements for graduation this year. Colonel Reynolds, however, hopes to complete requirements this coming year in Washington, D. C., where he is being transferred to the permanent headquarters of the air force.

## FAITH

I had the opportunity, recently, to witness the determination of two youngsters.

It seems that at one of the Toylands during the past Christmas season, Santa Claus gave play coins to the young admirers.

While I was in a drug store two tots of about four ordered ice cream cones. Suspicious of their ability to pay, the owner asked them if they had money. The youngsters immediately placed the play coins on the counter. The owner informed them this means of exchange would not purchase two ice cream cones. At this point their belief in Santa Claus was displayed. In one voice, the two tots said that Santa said the money would buy ice cream. The druggist had no alternative and he gave them their ice cream cones.

The smile on their faces, as they walked out of the store, proved their faith in Santa Claus.

attend classes and hear his favorite radio programs too.

### Improvement No. 6

I suggest that all the inside walls be decorated with paintings to take away the bare look they have. The contract for the paintings should be awarded to the artists of ESQUIRE magazine.

### Improvement No. 7

I suggest that the Faculty Room be enlarged and then turned into a lounge room for the students. I also suggest that educational motion pictures such as "Dick Bacy in THE HOMICIDE KID," and "Shamrock Bones in THE HOUND OF THE BREADBASKET" be shown every other night in the lounge.

Without these improvements there is nothing a student can do in a classroom except study. You know, maybe that is what "they" want us to do?

## Westover Men Attending N. U.

Stand clear of the whistling props, students; here comes the Air Force.

The United States Air Force has recently published directives outlining career plans designed to raise the Air Force educational level and to prepare personnel for more technical and responsible positions. The plan calls for the successful completion of some college courses at military schools. These courses are not available to all Westover personnel because of the quotas established throughout the services. The alternative is to gain the required knowledge through education at other approved institutions during off-duty hours.

Springfield Northeastern enrolled eight Westover men for the second semester. This number, however, is no indication of the number of applications for enrollment which may be received for the fall semester from other personnel who wish to take advantage of the "career plan." The government provides the funds for tuition; the personnel are eager. Watch the traffic from Westover Field to Springfield Northeastern in September.

## Just Five Minutes

A bell rings at eight, and all classes are stopped.

It's time for recess, and the studies are dropped.

The hallway is filled with a blue cloud of smoke

While boys are enjoying the last minute joke.

A "bread line" is formed at the Fountain of Youth.

You must wait for your drink, and that is the truth.

The book store is thronged with customers galore.

No sales talk is needed to sell one item more.

The girls rush to the dressing room for a soft chair.

Some just relax and talk while others comb their hair.

Everyone seems to make use of this limited time.

Regardless of value, it still works out fine!

A hypochondriac told his doctor in great alarm that he had a fatal liver disease. "Nonsense!" protested the doctor. "You wouldn't know whether you had that or not. With that disease there's no discomfort of any kind."

"I know," gasped the patient. "My symptoms exactly."

Indignant stenographer to another, speaking of their boss: "This is the fourth time he's revised this report. The incompetent help you have to put up with these days!"



## Epsilon Phi Sigma Chooses Caradonna

Eugene Caradonna will be installed as the new president of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity at a dinner dance to be held at the Chalet in West Springfield on Saturday evening, May 7, 1949, at 6:30 p.m. Benjamin J. Astley, '48, will be guest speaker of the evening. Other officers to be installed are James Maruca as vice-president, John Kowal as treasurer, Jacob Daniels as secretary, and Angelo Lacivita as chairman of the initiation committee.

Election of officers was held at the March meeting of the fraternity in the University building. The retiring president, Edmond McNamara, made the following remarks at the close of the meeting.

"The present members of the freshman class will be eligible for membership in one of the university social organizations. We ought to acquaint them with some information about Epsilon Phi Sigma. They've heard of us. Maybe the freshmen think of us as just another fraternity. They may think in terms of cliques, groups, and snobs. To an extent they are right, for many college social groups are just that. But Epsilon Phi Sigma is not just another fraternity. We are different.

"In what way are we different? First place, we are not concerned with bigotry, with racial prejudice, with discrimination. We are just fellows who believe in ideals. Yes, we're different. Our membership is different. When we pledge a new man, we don't ask: What's your color? What church do you go to? Where was your father born? We simply do not care. We don't presume to sit in judgment of anybody. We're a group of American college men banded together for social enjoyment and to represent, as closely as we can, the American ideal.

"Come to think of it, we're like a small version of America. We're a melting pot, a mixture of Protestant, Jew, and Catholic; of Irish and French; Italian and Greek; Negro; Pole; Yankee. In fact, I don't know how many different religious and racial culture groups we embrace. We just never bothered to find out.

"We've been called radical by some, but of course that doesn't bother us. Many people are irresponsibly called radical. We know what we stand for, and I think we should tell the freshmen what we stand for. Our active membership is made up mostly of veterans, fellows who fought for democracy and the principles that democracy implies. More than that, we are fellows who have not forgotten those principles. And we are interested in pledging members of the present freshman class who feel the same way about these principles."

## Pi Tau Kappa Holds Important Meetings

An Old Timers' Night was held by Pi Tau Kappa, January 15, at the Church of the Unity Community Hall on State Street. Ten old timers, with ten or more years membership in the fraternity were present. A delicious dinner was prepared and served by the Women's Group of the Church.

The guest speaker of the evening was Marshall "Doc" Walters, Assistant Professor of Physical Education at Springfield College. The subject of his talk was "Armchair Athletes."

Six new members were initiated into the fraternity. They were Donald Moore, Nicholas Sophinos, Richard Cummings, Charles Packard, Richard Norris, and Frederick Winterle.

Ladies' Night was held March 5, at Toto's at Smith's Ferry in Holyoke. A fine turnout of fifty-eight couples attended including several members of the other Fraternity and Sorority of Springfield Northeastern. A turkey dinner with all the fixings was enjoyed by all. After the dinner Al MacLennon led the group in singing. Next, door prizes were drawn and dancing then followed until midnight.

The Board of Governors' visitation to Delta Chapter was held at Miller's Restaurant, Page Boulevard, on April 2. Fifty-five members of Delta Chapter attended plus fourteen visiting members of the other Chapters. A fine turkey dinner was served, after which Al MacLennon led the group in singing. Excellent entertainment was provided by the Boys' Club of Springfield with several exhibitions.

After a short business meeting the initiation activities began. Six new members were initiated into the fraternity. They were Robert Godfrey, Philip Omasta, William Finnell, Roland Swanson, David Walker, and Matthew Cochran.

## Spring Dance

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evening will be the awarding of the "N" pins to those students selected by the Student Council as having done the most for Northeastern during the year.

During the past weeks each student has been asked to cast a ballot for his choice for "Queen of Northeastern." Presentation of the Queen to the public will take place during the evening of the dance.

George Jackson is the chairman of the committee making arrangements for the evening. He is assisted by Herbert Pace, Carl Glans, and Edward Kennedy. The committee has contracted for the popular Johnny Rogers and his orchestra to provide music for the evening.

Attire for the evening is semi-formal. Tickets, sold at the nominal charge of five dollars per couple, are available at the desk in the lobby and also from Mr. Hunt in the bookstore.

## Seniors To Receive

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the evening of Thursday, June 9. The time and place will be announced later by the Springfield Northeastern Alumni Association Board of Directors.

At the Baccalaureate service, which is the regular service of our friends at Faith Church dedicated and adapted by them to our needs, all Northeastern undergraduates and their friends are not only welcome, but desired in attendance. Class Day and the Alumni Reunion meeting are open only to those invited by the Class of '49 in the first case, or Alumni in the second.

The Commencement Exercises on Wednesday, June 8, are held specifically for attendance by all Northeastern people—undergraduates as well as alumni and their friends. The attendance of undergraduates and their friends is urged. Admission, however, is only by ticket. These tickets and formal invitations for mailing, if desired, will be available in mid-May and may be obtained through request at the Administrative Offices or through members of the Student Council.

The Marshal of the academic procession at both Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises will be James Thoburn Smith, President of the Class of 1929. Though no plans have been reported as yet, anniversary class reunions normally come on Class Day. Classes that should hold reunions this year are not only J. T. Smith's twenty year class, but the classes of 1924, 1934, 1939, and 1944.

## Veterans' Handbook Now Available

The Occupational Outlook Handbook, prepared for the Veterans Administration by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, is now available to the public, at \$1.75. Copies may be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

The Handbook, containing complete reports on 288 occupations by which Americans earn their living, brings together for the first time in one volume an extensive compilation of outlook information on jobs that range from the professions to farming. The Handbook has been adopted for official use in all Federal Government agencies which give counseling services and will be used in counseling services given by schools and colleges. Those students at Springfield Northeastern who are veterans and who wish to apply for the counseling service given at the local Veterans Guidance Center will find that the Handbook will help them in making occupational plans for the future. The counseling services of the University are available to all students. Copies of the Handbook have been ordered and will soon be available in the library.

## Rosemary Belcher Heads Sorority

Rosemary Belcher was elected president of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority at the March meeting held in the sorority room. Other officers for the coming year are Barbara Dubuzesk as vice-president, Alice Kozaczka as secretary, and Irene Czapienski as treasurer.

The new secretary and treasurer were initiated into the sorority at the dinner meeting at Blake's Restaurant on February 27, 1949. Other initiates were Lena Rossi, Helga Jacobson, and Patricia Haggerty.

Following the election of officers, a short business meeting was held. Plans were discussed for the tea to be held in honor of the two members of the sorority who will graduate this year: Margaret Downey and Marian Pre-mont. Tentative arrangements were made to hold a buffet table reception in the lower dining hall of the YMCA for the members of the graduating class and their wives. This event will take place on the Friday before Commencement Week and will begin after the graduation rehearsal is held that evening at Faith Church.

Plans were also made for the annual picnic to be held this summer in Forest Park. Miss Belcher is in charge of arrangements.

## SORORITY NEWS

Initiation of five new members was held in February at Blake's Restaurant. Gala initiation pranks were enjoyed by all, even the initiates. We are glad to welcome them into our midst.

Irene N. Czapienski, of Chicopee, is taking the Accounting course and is employed in the Accounting Department of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Patricia Ann Haggerty, of Springfield, is busy with her course in Business Management. She is employed in the Agency Record Department of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Helga Jacobson, of Millbury and Springfield, is also taking the Accounting course and is in charge of the Order Department at Baldwin-Duckworth, Division of Chain Belt Company.

Alice Kozaczka, of Indian Orchard, is taking the Accounting course. She is employed in the Accounting Department of Granley & Crook.

Lena Rossi, of Springfield, is taking the Accounting course and is employed in the Transit Department of the Springfield National Bank.

Election of officers was held March 21, and the following officers were elected: President, Rosemary Belcher; Vice President, Barbara Dubuzesk; Secretary, Alice Kozaczka; Treasurer, Irene Czapienski.

There was a short social hour and refreshments were served.



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## TWENTY-SEVEN RECEIVE DEGREES ON JUNE 9

On the evening of June 9, twenty-seven members of the senior class, marching to the familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance," filed into Faith Church to receive their degrees. The invocation was given by Glenn Donald Glazier, Pastor of St. James Methodist Church. A message from President Carl S. Ell was delivered by Dean Albert E. Everett of the Boston school. Two members of the gradu-

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## NEW LECTURE SERIES PLANNED BY COUNCIL

The many Northeastern students who attended the lectures presented last year at Northeastern by the Student Council will be glad to learn that the council is planning a series of six lectures for the academic year 1949-50.

The central theme of this year's lecture series is to be "Being an Effective Citizen in Our Society."

On Thursday, November 4, Dr. Calvert Stein is scheduled to speak on "Mental Health Problems of the Individual." Dr. Stein, a well known local psychiatrist, will illustrate his lecture by means of slides. Of particular interest to Northeastern students is the fact that Dr. Stein at one time studied law at Springfield Northeastern.

On December 8, Mrs. Doris Maxwell will speak on "Problems of the Home and Family." Mrs. Maxwell, who is connected with the Family Service Association, is well qualified by experience to speak on this subject. Her lecture should be of great interest to the student body many of whom are dealing daily with the problems of their own families in these rather troubled times.

In addition to the lectures already mentioned the Student Council plans to present during the winter months speakers on such subjects as "Family Income Budgeting," "Should I Build a Home Now?" and "The Individual Plans for the Future."

Watch for the announcements of these lectures and plan to attend them all.

## Welcome, Freshmen

As the college year rolls around once more, Northeastern again opens its doors to welcome its new crop of Freshmen.

Northeastern has no window dressing with which to entice its students, no elm shaded campus, no ivy covered buildings. Six years seems an interminably long time. Many times during those six years things will look pretty grim and you will ask yourself whether or not it is really worth the struggle.

The answer has always been, "Yes," and when your six long years towards graduation has shortened into months, you too will say with genuine pride, "Welcome to Northeastern, Freshmen."

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES THEME OF NEW CLUB

The Outdoor Activities Club of Springfield Division of Northeastern University is a new venture.

It is up to you who are reading this to say whether it will be a permanent force in Northeastern Activities or not.

It was dreamed up by six Northeastern girls while on a picnic at Forest Park. They had enjoyed their picnic and the outdoor companionship. One

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## FROSH RECEPTION AND DANCE TO BE HELD AT BLAKE'S SATURDAY

### GUIHEEN, RISKALLA MOORE WIN HONORS

Three undergraduate students were awarded scholarship prizes during the commencement exercises June 9. The honor students were Thomas Guiheen, Rosemary Riskalla and Donald Moore.

Thomas F. Guiheen, of the class of 1950 won the Pi Tau Kappa fraternity scholarship, given to a member of the junior class with the highest average grades from the freshman year through the junior year.

In the past Tom has won two other scholarships, the Sigma Nu Upsilon sorority scholarship given to the lower middler class member making the highest average grade for three years and the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity award, given to the sophomore with the highest average grade for two years.

Between the rigorous school years Tom revitalizes with low-eighty golf, soft ball, and sun bathing.

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### Don't Forget the Dance

The first social function of the 1949-1950 academic year will be the Freshman Reception and Dance to be held at Blake's Restaurant, 15 Market Street in Springfield, on Saturday, October 29.

In our type of school, made up of students who are busily engaged in making the most of their free time, we are limited in the social functions in which we can participate. We have so few opportunities to gather as a body that attendance at our all-too-few social functions should be a Must on your calendar.

The Freshman Reception and Dance is principally for the freshmen as a group to meet socially with each other and with their instructors. (Yes, they'll be there.)

However, don't let the name given to this function fool you. While all freshmen should plan to attend, the affair is by no means limited to this group. We would also like to see a lot of upperclassmen there.

The affair will get underway at 8:00 o'clock (2000 to GI's) and will be informal. There will be dancing to the music of that local favorite, Al Acorn and his Silvertones; refreshments will be served.

The attention of the freshmen is directed to the handbooks which have been printed and distributed by the Student Council. Your free ticket is contained therein.

The attention of the upperclassmen is directed to their pocketbooks as there will be a slight charge of seventy-five (75) cents for them. Guests will also come under this category. Tickets are on sale each evening before classes, opposite the bookstore, or they may be obtained from members of the Student Council.

Come free, come paid; come October 29, come to the dance!

Ted Drewniak, a graduate of Northeastern now employed by the White Industries Inc. of Westfield, was married on August 20, to Miss Irene Smith, employed in the payroll department of the Eastern States Exposition.



STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS—1949-'50

Left to Right: Herbert Pace '51, President; Raymond Robillard '52, Vice-President; Elizabeth Sullivan '50, Secretary; Carl Glans '51, Treasurer.



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## See You There

The Student Council of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University extends a hearty welcome to all new fellow students and a sincere "glad to have you back" to all those who have shared the inner halls of learning with us in past years.

Your Council has been actively engaged this past summer in lining up what we believe will be a fine program for all, commencing with our annual reception and dance on October 29, 1949 at Blake's Restaurant.

While this dance has traditionally been termed a "freshman reception," it is by no means limited to freshmen. We expect a 100% freshman attendance, and a representative attendance of approximately 95% of the upper classmen. So make arrangements for those baby sitters now!

The officers and members of your Student Council are listed in the handbooks which the Council had printed during this historically hot past summer and which you will have received by the time this article is read. These members are giving a great deal of their time and effort to make the Council function smoothly and to do honor to Northeastern and their fellow students. Please feel free to approach any member for assistance or information concerning, curricular, extracurricular, or social activities of the school.

We all have a common purpose in coming to Northeastern—our thirst for knowledge and desire for personal betterment. Let's unite that purpose with good fellowship. The first opportunity to put this unification into practice will be the freshman dance.

SEE YOU THERE!

## Fellowship

If two men each have a dollar and exchange them, each man still has only one dollar and there is no progress. But, if two men each have an idea and they exchange them, each man then has two ideas and often they multiply very rapidly. The exchange of ideas is a keynote of progress in every field of human activity.

When you exchange your evening freedom to accept the challenge of six years at Springfield Northeastern you should not discount the social and fraternal opportunities that are available to you as a member of one of the fraternities.

Many Juniors and Seniors about to graduate have expressed regret that they were never aware of the advantages that membership in these fraternities offered until it was too late to profit by them.

Freshmen, Sophomores, and Lower Middlers should decide for themselves which fraternity appeals to them and inquire as to the membership requirements. They will be agreeably surprised by the simplicity of these requirements.

Lasting friendships may be acquired that will prove of great value to you for many years as an alumnus of Springfield Northeastern.

Investigate for yourself, decide what you are going to do then take the necessary action.

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

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of the girls belongs to an outdoor club and suggested that such a club might be desirable at Northeastern, especially since most students do not have too much out door activity while school is in session.

Rose Mercure was chosen to discuss such a proposal with Mr. Churchill. The officers of the fraternities and the Student Council were contacted so that they could get together and discuss the possibilities of an outdoor club.

Mr. Churchill has endorsed the club and as it stands now the club has been formed with Mr. Carl Chauncey as Faculty advisor. The officers elected to serve until January are as follows: Chairman, Bob Kubeseck; Vice Chairman, Rose Mercure; Secretary, Lois Taylor; Treasurer, Jean Bradish. Three other members were elected to serve with the officers to help plan activities.

## MANSFIELD L. HUNT

## SERVING AS REGISTRAR

While Mr. Robert C. Weller Jr. is on a year's leave of absence at Harvard University graduate school, Mansfield Laurence Hunt is taking his place as registrar. Mr. Hunt served as bursar at Northeastern last year.

Mr. Hunt received his A.B. Degree from Bowdoin College in 1937. He did one year of graduate work at Harvard Graduate School and one year at the University of Maine. He taught school in Maine for two years before entering the armed forces in 1941. He served his country until 1946 as a captain in the Army in the European theatre and in Africa.

Mr. Hunt is well qualified to serve as registrar since he served in an administrative capacity at Bowdoin College before coming to Springfield Northeastern in 1947.

Mr. Hunt is single and lives at 100 Ingraham Terrace.

## NOR'EASTER GOSSIP

Do you get mad when the water fountain in the hallway gives forth with a discouragingly small dribble of cool refreshment just as the last bell is ringing? Would you like something done about it? Would you prefer to reverse class periods so that the recess periods last for one hour and the lectures are five minutes duration? Well gather 'round . . .

Maybe we can't promise you any staggering changes overnight, but at least everyone can now air his gripe. If you have a pet peeve or if you want to make a suggestion, now's your chance, Brother. Through the courtesy of John Babiarz the School is now the proud possessor of a cute little white box complete with slot and lock. You've probably seen it sitting conspicuously on the table outside the main office. It's been put there just for you, so sound off!

Perhaps you've always felt that you'd like to write an editorial about some world shaking event—such as the Russians cracking the secret of the atom. Or maybe you just want to wax poetic or write a short, short story. Grab a piece of paper and jot down your thoughts before they get away from you; then toss your comments into the little white box. Sign your name if you want, but if you prefer, even anonymous contributions will be gratefully received.

If one of your classmates has changed jobs, been promoted, entered the state of marital bliss, or had a baby, we all want to know about it. Maybe we'll miss out on the story unless you scribble it down and throw it into the white box. The same goes for tales of Northeastern men and women of yesteryear, now our honored Alumni.

The little white box bearing the inscription "Nor'easter Gossip" occupies its spot just so that you can make contributions. Gripes, bouquets, stories, news items . . . we want them all. Chances are good that you'll see your stuff in a later edition of "The Nor'easter," and won't you be tickled to see your own brainchild in print!

We're counting on you to fill that box to overflowing . . . please don't let us down!

All Roads Lead to Blake's October 29  
Bought Your Dance Ticket Yet?

Northeastern University  
As One Student Sees It

Upon entering College after the war, I was like most of the veterans, much older than the majority of the students in college. This produced a feeling that I was out of place among all the younger students. The fact that there were other older veterans in college, helped in getting acclimated to the new surroundings and to the routine of school again.

After two years of day college, I enrolled at Northeastern University. There is always an air of anticipation when a person is entering something for the first time. As I entered the first night's class, I was not prepared for the sight that greeted me. Not only were there students younger than I, but students of my own age and students that were much older than I. These older students were business men and men who had already begun to make a name for themselves in the world. I began to wonder if I could compete with them in my class work. It also produced a challenge to succeed. If they can do it, why can't I? This challenge has remained with me throughout the two years that I have been at Northeastern. I believe that there is a challenge to all students at Northeastern and it is this challenge that has produced some very outstanding men in this area.

If a person did not have a good goal to work toward there would not be the desire to succeed. Northeastern is a means by which a person can achieve his goal or to meet the challenge that is before us all. The reputation that Northeastern has as a fine school does not come only from instructors and professors, but from the students that have been at Northeastern. It is the desire to get ahead in this world that has led them on in the six hard years of night school. The will and the determination to accomplish this end will continue through their business career and this is one of the many reasons that industry is very much interested in the graduate of Northeastern University, Springfield Division.

This is the way that I see Northeastern. Do you share my views?

Save Saturday Night!  
Take The Missus To The Dance

## Reflections of a Bear That's Over the Mountain—Almost

Well, it doesn't look so steep from this side. Remember the day five years and one war ago that Mr. Churchill said, "Only six years, my boy." "Yipe!, I mean, yes sir." But to a freshman, the slope looked long, steep and rocky.

And didn't we dig in as sophomores. Of course it could have been that those Uncle Sam—sponsored world tours had thoroughly acquainted us with rocky terrain.

Through the haze in the middle years, the summit was observed as enticing as a honey-laden hive; the climb then seemed less arduous. And, a few last difficult steps in the junior year brought with them the pleasant realization that the bear was on top of the mountain.

Senior—slide down!



## TO THE FRESHMEN

During the past few weeks, you have probably asked yourself the following questions. "Why is Jim, or Jack, or Mary attending Northeastern evenings? Are their reasons the same as those that prompted me to register the early part of September? I don't care to ask them a direct question, but I would like to know—even though it is only to satisfy my curiosity.

Let me tell you one of the reasons why I enrolled at Northeastern. The chances are that both Jim and Jack are here because of the same.

I graduated from one of the local high schools in the year 1936, with an average that placed me on a par with Jim and Jack. Not being one of the fortunate few who had funds available for further schooling, I accepted a job, full time, as clerk with a grocery chain. The hours that I worked was definitely not commensurate with the low salary that was received at the end of a 60 hour week. However, the real compensation was my feeling of satisfaction in being able to work—imagine—no more school. Yet within a few months this artificial satisfaction began to wear away, and in its stead, the desire for further schooling commenced to grow. I knew that day schooling was out, because of the great expense involved. Furthermore, I was not one of the recipients of a scholarship. The only alternative was to attend evening school, and the only recognized school of the type I cared to attend, was Northeastern University.

Shortly after a change in employment, which brought my income up from ten dollars a week for sixty hours to fifteen dollars for fifty hours, I enrolled at the University.

The war years brought a temporary halt in my pursuit of higher learning, however, I still felt after the dark clouds had rolled by, that my schooling was incomplete—so I went back. With the G. I. Bill of Rights in effect, I was able to attend days, but found that my acquaintance with the school, the teachers, and my fellow students at Northeastern was as much a part of my schooling as the classes themselves. Not only that, but the three years' attendance prior to the war proved to be greatly beneficial during my service years.

I can't say that Economics gave me my first pay raise, neither can I say that English helped me to persuade my employer to fatten my pay envelope the second time, or help me up the next rung. I can say with all sincerity that Northeastern has done one thing for me—and that is it has accelerated and strengthened my desire to try to more fully understand and help my fellow worker, community, and country.

Jim, Jack and Mary may be going to Northeastern for the same reasons. What do you think?

## BOB WELLER WINS HARVARD FELLOWSHIP

As if by fate, as I commenced writing this story on Bob Weller, I was inspired by a radio transcription of a new release entitled "The Wedding of Lili Marlene." This tune is a sequel to the wartime favorite of Bob and his buddies as they plied the waters of the blue Mediterranean on an LST. He was still whistling this tune as he first made his presence felt in the halls of our school in September of 1945.

Before his tour of duty in the naval forces during the war, Bob spent his time in his home town of Buffalo, New York where he attended the University of Buffalo for a short period. Transferring to Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in English. Soon after graduating from Ohio Wesleyan, Bob entered the Naval Services and received his commission as a naval officer at Columbia University.

Upon leaving the service he came to Northeastern in the capacity of Registrar. The duties of teaching pre-college students and acting as faculty adviser to the student council soon came into his sphere of activities. Before long it became evident that a bachelor's degree was not sufficient, and Bob entered the Graduate School of Springfield College, majoring in guidance and personnel service.

As a student who attended Northeastern while Bob was actively engaged as Registrar, I might state at this point, "A well chosen field, Bob!" I'm sure that many other students will attest to your ability as a counselor.

This brings us up to the present, and also to Bob's temporary departure from Northeastern to further his education. Early this year Bob was awarded a fellowship at Harvard University to enable him to obtain his doctorate. As Bob's leave of absence ends in 1950 and present plans call for his return to Springfield Northeastern, may the students entering in September of 1950 be greeted by the strains of "Lili Marlene." Have You Bought Your Dance Ticket?



## Student Council Serves In Many Ways

The Student Council provides the student body at Springfield Northeastern with a varied choice of extracurricular activities during the school year. Among these are the planning, arranging, and presenting the Freshman reception early in the school year.

The school paper "Springfield Nor'easter" is the product of the combined efforts of the student council and the advanced English class.

The fall and winter lecture series is another of the tasks that the Student Council takes upon itself to complete each year.

The spring dance is the social gathering of distinction, where the "N" awards are made, and the student body gathers with the faculty and representatives of the parent University from Boston. This is a carefully planned activity of the Student Council.

The Student Council submits a planned budget to the school authorities. The student body is canvassed for ideas on how to properly meet these varied tasks by members of the Student Council.

The Student Council assists the faculty, student body, and members of the graduating class, before, during, and after the baccalaureate and graduation ceremonies.

The Student Council is very helpful in assisting students by counselling them, and presenting student views to proper school authorities for just treatment of all frictions and misunderstandings.

Here are a few of the duties of your Student Council. They have been elected as your representatives while you are at Northeastern. Do not hesitate to make use of their services if you ever need help. They will be glad to be of service.

### ALL ABOARD

Three absent-minded professors were so absorbed in conversation that they didn't hear the train come in or the conductor's "all aboard" call until the puff of the engine attracted them. They all rushed for the train and two of them scrambled on it. The third looked on sheepishly.

The agent, standing nearby, said, "Two bad, mister, but you shouldn't feel so badly. Two out of three made it—that's a pretty good percentage."

"Yes, sighed the professor, "but they came down to see me off."

Mr. Martin J. Sawa, "class of 1950," recently welcomed with joy a new addition, Thomas J. Sawa, to his family circle.

If Tommy is the chip off the old block which Martin so boastfully claims he is, it should not be surprising to see him in Northeastern's line-up of the "class of about 1974."

## TIRADE

From time immemorial Wars have been an absorbing subject to many people. Some damn them, believe war to be a natural state of things, and some have woven a curtain of romance about the entire business and believed it to be a man's ultimate destiny to be involved in one. Woe on the fellow who had misfortune to be born in between them. He has missed much. I was of the latter class.

From childhood on I had listened to tales of daring deeds, plays, books, and movies all dealing with the glories of war and the heroism of the men who were called to play their part. Stirring trumpet calls, dashing charges by Anzac horsemen; even the devotion as pictured in "What Price Glory" midst mud and tobacco juice, was enough to stir the blood of the unimaginative and to send the bravest home to dream of the Wars that were then hatching. What did it matter if you had to fight people with names like Schickelgruber and Hirohito, just as long as you could dash around mouthing strange commands and curses to your loyal platoon and eventually lead them to VICTORY? And the special dream of marching your troops through your own town in full battle array, headed over-seas, a slight swagger in your walk and THE GIRL FRIEND watching you go, with a tear in her eye! Ah, the dreams of one's youth.

Came November 1942! The War has progressed tremendously. You are older—wiser.—But True this War isn't as glamorous as all the others, but, what the hell, it's a War, ain't it?

And then . . . you, with your dreams, your dashing courage (?) and readiness to make the SUPREME SACRIFICE have been picked for a different type of fighting. A warrior with a typewriter. A clerk. So—, this has been your destiny. The very word itself hints of unspeakable things; a word to make strong men turn away. But, a ray of hope. You are in the Air Corps. The last bastion of gallantry. The Lafayette Escadrille and Rickenbacker saluting his foes as they went down in flames. Truly the only place left for a fighting man, you muse, while Mars sneers and the Fates howl with glee. Romance! Gallantry! Chivalry! Bah! The infinite genius for making red tape has stepped in and packaged an entire corps with brightly festooned tape.

And so, for the duration and six, you have become a clerk, eventually winding up with a job typing aimless letters on a dock in Hoboken, without ever having the chance to get across. Even such a prosaic experience as being torpedoed has been denied you. And your children in later life will say "Daddy, tell us stories of what YOU did in the War."

And so died a dream.



## Epsilon Phi Sigma Holds Initiation

At the sight of a bright red bow tie, gartered arms and legs, rolled up trouser cuffs, and huge placards, don't be alarmed; but read the explanatory placard.

The week of October 17, is being devoted to the candidates of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. This period of hazing will be climaxed by an informal initiation night on October 21. The following evening, all candidates will become Brothers of the Fraternity at a solemn, impressive ceremony known only to the Fraternity members. At the conclusion of the ceremonies a formal banquet will be held at Hotel Kimball, October 22, at 8:00 P.M.

Continuing with the new policy of the Fraternity, all members' wives and sweethearts are invited to the banquet which will be followed by music and dancing.

Edmond W. McNamara, '49, will be the Master of Ceremonies. Director John D. Churchill will be the guest speaker of the evening.

The members responsible for this year's initiation are Angelo Lacivita, Chairman of Initiation and his committee consisting of Robert Kubeseck, James Maruca and Howard Edwards.

### Twenty-Seven

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ating class, Edmond William McNamara and Joseph Patrick Curran, were commencement speakers. Mr. McNamara chose as his subject, "Prejudice, a Disease of Democracy," and Mr. Curran discussed the problems of "Labor and Management." The commencement address, "The Unmatched Truth," was then delivered by Doctor Allan Knight Chambers of Boston University.

Next, was the announcement of scholarship awards to three students of the undergraduate classes for outstanding scholastic achievement. They were Thomas Giuheen of Holyoke, Rosemary Riskalla of Indian Orchard, and Donald Moore of Springfield.

The degrees were then conferred. Robert R. Emerson, chairman of the board of governors, presided and John D. Churchill, director of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University, presented the candidates for the conferring of degrees. This year two students, Edmond W. McNamara and Marion Premont, graduated with honors. The students receiving B.B.A. degrees are as follows:

In Accounting—Joseph James Che-cile, Francis Bernard Connor, Alfred Dietrich, Charles Dallas Dinnie, Margaret Rita Downey, Robert Philip Driscoll, Donald Alvin Ferguson, George Sidney Jackson, Edmond William McNamara, Marion Frances

### Three Win Honors (Continued from page 1)

It is reasonable to think of his achievements as illustrative of what one can accomplish at Northeastern. Ambition and the desire to learn how to live life to its fullest extent prompted Tom to enroll here, and each year presents new students similarly inspired.

Rosemary Riskalla '52, who is majoring in accounting was the winner of the Sigma Nu Upsilon scholarship, awarded annually to that student of the lower middle class who has made the highest average grade in all courses of the first three years.

Such an accomplishment is nothing new to Miss Riskalla. Upon entering Northeastern from the High School of Commerce in Springfield, she was awarded a scholarship from the Lena Tucker fund on the basis of her outstanding record at Commerce. In high school she was editor-in-chief of the school paper, business manager of the yearbook, and president of the French Club in addition to being an honor student for three years.

Rosemary has been on the dean's list since she entered Northeastern.

Donald R. Moore, Business and Engineering class of 1953, is not only carrying into his lower middler year the Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity scholarship awarded to the student attaining the highest scholastic average to the end of the sophomore year, but also he is carrying into this year an addition in his family awarded to "Mr. and Mrs." only a week or two ago.

Don graduated from Technical High School in Springfield and had time for only a short stay at American International College before donning the khaki and O.D.'s of the Air Forces. Since his release from the service, he has found Springfield still to his liking. Don now resides on High Street, only a few doors from the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company where he is employed in the Inland Marine Department.

Premont, Robert Ellsworth Sharpe, Harold Stratos, John Sumner Tharion, John George Tilley, and Olinto Peter Ugolini.

In Management—John Edward Bly, Joseph Patrick Curran, Donald Jennings Ferguson, and George Bernard Gunderson.

In Engineering and Business—John William Bromage, Gordon Harold Chandler, Robert Donald Jahn, William Philip Jones, James Bernard Kelley, Adam Stanley Korabowski, John Francis Panda, and Edwin Earl Vincent.

On July 2, Miss Lorraine Sosville employed by the Simons Insurance Agents, was wed to Leonard Witkowski. According to latest reports the bride does not plan to return to Northeastern to continue her studies.

## PI TAU KAPPA PLANS BUSY SEASON

Pi Tau Kappa has chapters in Boston and Worcester, Mass. and Providence, R. I. in addition to Springfield. The fraternity is pledged to good fellowship and fair play for all.

The officers of the Springfield chapter are: President, Robert Welch, '51; Vice President, Frank Curtis '50; Secretary, Robert Powell '49; and Treasurer, George Jackson '49.

During the summer the annual family picnic was held at Look Park in Northampton. There was fun and food for everyone.

The annual golf tournament was held at the Westfield Country Club with prizes for all golfers, regardless of skill.

There are many activities planned for the coming year, the most important being the annual four chapter competition scheduled for May 13, 1950. Springfield chapter is to play host for this important annual affair. Ladies' night, which has proved so popular in the past, will be held again in February. Add to this the annual Christmas party and regular monthly meetings and members of Pi Tau Kappa have lined up a full schedule of fun and fellowship.

## Tomorrow

A few days ago I read an article in the New York Times that might prove disquieting to some of the students now enrolled in our Colleges and Universities. This article, with the aid of some statistical data, states that in a few years there will exist a surplus of college graduates in relation to the jobs that will be available in the future.

This type of information may be correct if one considers the situation only in cold numbers, but there is no doubt that there are many other things of equal value gained from education. The job angle might be the main driving force toward receiving a higher education and the other values hidden until later years.

I think that regardless of the predictions of the press and statisticians, those of us who have the opportunity and good fortune to continue our education will in time enjoy a better and fuller life.

I can copy an expression of my daughter's and probably express the above paragraphs in a clearer way. She often tells her friends, "If you think more you may learn more and when you learn more you may think more."

Margaret Downey, '49, and her husband Hank Downey, a senior, became the proud parents of a baby girl this summer.

## Party, Tea, Picnic Interest Sorority

The girls of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority gave a party for the seniors after the graduation rehearsal, Friday, June 3, 1949 in the lower dining room of the Y.M.C.A. The savory refreshments prepared by the girls were worthy of any caterer.

The highlight of last spring's activities was the Senior Tea on June 12, 1949 given in honor of the two girls graduated, Miss Marion Premont and Mrs. Margaret Downey. It was held at the hotel Sheraton. Sandwiches, tea, cake and ice cream were served. Engraved bracelets were presented to the two guests of honor. We are proud of these girls and wish them success. Mrs. Downey is putting her Northeastern training to good use by teaching bookkeeping in the Springfield Evening High School this year. Miss Premont is back with us taking a post graduate course in Marketing.

On June 14, 1949 a picnic was enjoyed at Forest Park by Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority. It was a perfect day and the hot dogs and toasted marshmallows by the open fire hit the spot. It was at this picnic that discussions began for the Outdoor Activities Club.

On June 21, 1949 a shower was given at Betty Sullivan's house in honor of Lorraine Sosville who was married this past summer. A mock wedding was performed and delicious refreshments were served. Lorraine received many choice gifts.

The first fall meeting was held in the Sorority Room on September 29, 1949. A new secretary was elected because Alice Kozaczka did not return to school. The officers for the resent session are: President, Rosemary Belcher; Vice President, Barbara Dubuzesk; Secretary, Marie J. Gunderson; Treasurer, Irene Czapienski.

Plans were made for a few activities. The first being the Freshman reception which will be a get acquainted party in the Sorority room Thursday, October 20, 1949 at 9:00 p.m. All girls are invited.

The freshman girls are: Shirley Irene Boisvert, Management; Gloria Mary Davis, Accounting; Jean Rushford Winkler, Management; Natalie Misiazey, Accounting; Joan Barbara Clay, Management; Ruth Simons, Accounting; and Marlyn Joyce Skelton, Pre-college.

There will be a white elephant sale in the sorority room for a week beginning the night of the Freshman Reception and lasting through October 28, 1949. Please bring white elephants or nicknacks.

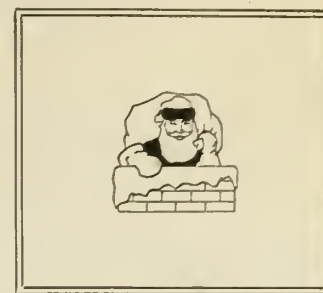
Girls, look on the bulletin board in the sorority room for announcements of meeting and activities

COME TO THE DANCE!





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## Huge Crowd Attends Freshman Reception

Anyone who believes that the age of chivalry is dead must have been one of the few who didn't attend the recent extremely successful Freshman Reception and Dance held at Blake's Restaurant on October 29 last.



Guests of Honor  
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Weller

Not only did the gentlemen bring their lovely ladies, but many of them also brought their own tables and chairs to combat the shortage which became prevalent early in the evening when an unprecedented and unforeseen number of fun-loving couples submerged the previous plans and arrangements of a student council that is in need of a course in "Guesstimating."

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### Christmas Day

On Christmas Day, from East and from West,

From North and from South come the kindred and guest.

When the gray-haired father sees again 'round his board,

The old broken links of affection restored.

When the care-wearied man seeks his mother once more,

And the grandmother smiles as the girl smiled before.

With a Christmas salute that is warm and sincere,

To wish every joy on this glad time of year.



Mr. Churchill Watches The Fun

## Director Churchill Gives Good Advice

In a recent letter to the editor of the NOR'EASTER, Director John D. Churchill referred to our Freshman Reception and Dance as (the Pleasant affair held at Blake's.) It was pleasant, everything about it—the music, the decorations, the good fellowship, the speeches, and the refreshments.

However, in such an atmosphere of pleasantness, we sometimes do not catch the significance of certain things. I am referring to the message of greeting which Mr. Churchill gave that evening. He gave five specific suggestions for us to remember: "Drop not lightly nor prematurely the thing you are doing." (Although the years at Northeastern have, at times, been a long grind, I'm glad I stuck it out and will be graduating in June.) ("Put not off the thing you should do." (This article should have been written a week ago!) "Let not time for secondary things steal that of those which are primary." (The evening paper and the radio are important but not to the extent that the better part of the evening is gone before I get at my studying.) "Guard thy rest and thy strength." (It's nice to linger over that ten o'clock cup of coffee, but too much lingering makes the morning alarm even more "alarming.") "Hitch

## Dean's List For Last Year Shows High Proportion Of Honor Students

"EVERYWHERE, EVERYWHERE CHRISTMAS TONIGHT,"—

Each nation has its manners and customs which have been handed down from generation to generation. Spain has its fiestas; we have our Fourth of July. At only one time throughout the year, in every corner of the globe, throughout the Christian world, do peoples of all nations unite in one universal demonstration.

Consider the overwhelming number of people joined together in thought and prayer to honor the Birthday of Christ, the King. Prejudices are set aside; hopes are reborn; there is indeed magic abroad because it's

"EVERYWHERE, EVERYWHERE, CHRISTMAS TONIGHT."

## Frat Holds Tag Day To Raise Welfare Fund

The revival of another pre-war custom has been approved by Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. Tag Week is a period of one week during which a drive is made to secure funds to assist needy students.

The school week of December 5, through December 9, was designed as the time for this noteworthy drive. All money collected has been turned over to the Student Aid Fund to be distributed where needed.

Members of Epsilon Phi Sigma were stationed every evening at the main entrance of the school and at the bulletin board. Upon receipt of a donation into their container they would reciprocate with a little tag tied to the donor's lapel. This labeled the wearer as a Santa Claus in his own small way.

Some deserving students will most certainly appreciate your generosity in Northeastern University.

your wagon to a star." (For me after Northeastern, it's graduate school and my master's degree.)

So my dear reader, if you are in a contemplative mood, perhaps you too can fill in your own musings. These quotations are worthy of a second thought.

The dean's list for the college year 1948-49 has been released by the registrar. To earn a place on the list a student earns an average of 80% or better in all subjects, and must carry a full program of three or more courses.

Honor students in the class of 1949 were Joseph Chechile, Francis Connor, Charles Dinnie, Edmond McNamara, John Tharion, and Olinto Ugolini.

The following undergraduates made the dean's list:

John Babiarz, Robert Ballard, Robert Barrett, Thomas Barrett, Richard Barrows, Harold Becker, David Blackburn, Richard Blackburn, James Blake, Raymond Boudet, John Brody, Harold Brunette, August Brus, Thomas Buckley,

Russell Cape, Eugene Caradonna, Norman Cartmill, Francis Chunglo, Ernest Cignoni, Norman Clifford, Justin Converse, Bernard Crosby, Richard Cummings, Irene Czapienski, Arthur Donahue, George Dorval, Barbara Dubuzesk, John Duncan, Jr., Henry Dunwoody, Arthur Duquette, Donald Earle, Winston Ellenwood, William Elliott, Stanley Ericksberg, Irving Feldman, Francis Fortier, Daniel Friedman.

Thomas Garde, John Garvey, Charles Gintowt, Robert Godfrey, Richard Goehring, 2nd., William Goldberg, Michael Gonzales, Lawrence Gormally, Philip Grace, Thomas Guiheen, Donald Henry, Helga Jacobson, Anthony Jonaitis, Martin Judge, Edward Kennedy, John Kowal, Mitchel Kulesza, Walter Lachman, William Lundberg.

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### CHRISTMAS

Christmas is like a sort of stopping place where fellow travellers pause to forget the long weary miles that lie behind and to remember the faith and loyalty of friends that have made their way most pleasant.

Let us, too, pause in our deliberations to remember those we leave at home who make possible our evenings here.



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## RACE.....AMERICAN

Well hidden among important articles, a thought-provoking item appeared in a recent edition of our local newspaper. Briefly, it concerned the efforts of a southern Negro to further his education at the University of OKLAHOMA. In due course of time, after application and deposit requirements were complied with, the Negro appeared, as requested, to commence his studies. The school authorities, only then, realized the problem that confronted them and immediately retracted his assignment of a room in order to adhere to so-called state segregation laws. Two years previous to this incident the University had been faced with a decision of the SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES requiring them to offer to the Negro educational facilities equal to those available to the Caucasian race.

In light of this, what caused the problem was simply the appearance of the new student in the college offices. For much to their consternation he was well tanned but not from long hours spent under the summer sun. His tan would not fade during the coming winter months. Such a revelation came as quite a shock to those, who on examining his application found RACE—AMERICAN.

Are all our minds filled with such a preconceived picture or do we give more than lip service to the national observance of I AM AN AMERICAN DAY?

## TAXES AND INDEPENDENCE

"According to a calculation of Cobbettes, the TAXES which the people of the U. S. paid during the year amounted to Two Dollars and Fifty Cents apiece. Certainly the people of the U. S. cannot grumble at paying \$2.50 each for the preservation and support of pure republican institutions, and the blessings which result from them, and that liberty and independence which we enjoy."

Sounds a little odd, doesn't it? It should because the above is an excerpt from an editorial which appeared in the April 13, 1815, edition of *The Pittsfield Sun*. Let us contrast that situation with our tax plight today.

The forty-two billion dollars which the federal government will expend during the current fiscal year represents \$700 per American worker or one-third more than the total 1948 cash receipts for the produce of America's six million farms. Should we grumble because of this huge expense or should we be thankful for the blessings we receive from such expenditures. Let us examine the facts.

Why are taxes increasing more each year? There is only one answer and that is that the government is increasing "benefits" to the people. It stands to reason that when the government extends "benefits" it will have to increase taxes in order to obtain the necessary funds. These increased "benefits" result from the "welfare state" theory that government can do things better for the individual than he can do for himself. This includes saving his money, taking care of his illness, financing his home, providing for his education, and making secure his old age. So far a goodly section of the American public seems to be accepting this theory without too much thought.

The citizen of 1815 was taxed lightly. He was, therefore, independent as to what he would do with his income. I wonder if we are forsaking those principles of liberty and independence today for so-called "security." Or perhaps we are satisfied to sit back and allow someone in some far-off government office dictate to us how our money should be spent. Is this what we want? If so, we can watch with pleasure this present drift towards a Socialistic form of government. Or do we, as college students and thinking people, feel that this "welfare state" theory has gone enough in this country and that we are prepared to carry our own burdens and make our own decisions as befits responsible citizens in a truly democratic republic.

We must make up our minds quickly.

## HE THAT CONTROLETH HIS TEMPER.....

How many of us have the art of mastering our emotion that shows itself in anger? Here is a field in human relations that can begin in every one of us if the will to do so can be given a chance to grow and then be cultivated continuously. There is no doubt that the effective control of anger is really the control of an automatic defense mechanism which we all have. Control is no simple task in face of a violent onslaught of words from another person, yet there is no question that many people have mastered anger in a manner that floors the opposition without a violent discharge of unkind words.

You and I can probably recall instances where control of anger might have prevented emotional up-sets that have lasting effect. Friendships have been



## MERRY CHRISTMAS, ANYBODY!

Christmas, the anniversary of the world's greatest event, is one day that the world remembers and celebrates.

Many people feel that the observance of Christmas has become merely a custom and that the real significance of this great day is lost on many in this modern world. This may be partially true, but aren't the effects the same and isn't that what really matters?

There is something about the holiday season that acts like a purifying agent and casts a delightful spell on everybody. It seems to lift the spirit to a state of elevated enjoyment. Our thoughts are more concentrated and our friendly sympathies aroused. Besides, it is the season when families are gathered together and friendships are drawn close again. In fact, we are all brought more closely together, as every-

## OH MY!

The workman who had just completed the sidewalk in front of a home went up to the housewife. "Look, lady," he said glowingly, "you'll not find another job of new sidewalk anywhere as smooth as that. Why, it's—" Suddenly, he broke into a volley of exclamations. A three year old was gleefully wading through the center of his newly laid concrete. "Wait'll I get my hands on the kid," the workman grumbled.

"But I thought you said you were fond of children," the housewife broke in.

"In the abstract—yes," the workman cried, "but in the concrete—no!"

"What model is your car?"

"It's not a model, it's a horrible example."

shattered because it is often easier to reply in kind to an angry accusation than it is to reply with a smile on one's face. It seems that once a friendship is broken as the result of an exchange of harsh words the gap created seems to grow larger as time goes on and bridging the gap might be an impossibility.

When one can control the anger emotion he has created an asset that cannot be equaled in value. His gain is also the gain of society in general and today the need is great when one considers the angry accusations hurled against people of all lands.

## T'WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE MID-YEARS

T'was the night before mid-years  
And all through the house  
There was quiet, except for  
Remarks from my spouse.

Textbooks and pencils were  
Laid out with care  
But I secretly wondered  
If I'd survive this affair.

The children were nestled  
All snug in their beds  
While Heaven knows what plans  
Danced through their heads.

Mama with her novel  
And I with my book  
Settled down to absorb them  
By hook, or by crook.

When out from the nursery  
There arose such a clatter  
I sprang from my desk  
To see what was the matter.

Out through the hallway  
I tore like a flash  
Tipped over a fire engine  
And fell with a crash.

Back on my feet  
As I silently swore  
I went forward to bump into  
The nursery door.

And what did I see  
When my eyes I could focus  
But Richard cavorting  
With this hocus-pocus.

"I'll draw on the wall  
A right jolly old elf  
With a crayon I'll paint it,  
Yes, all by myself.

"I'll mark up the walls  
And I'll tear up my spread,  
And then I'll pull Douglas  
Right out of his bed."

Oh study! Oh worry!  
Oh troubles a-mixin'!  
How did I get blessed with  
This spirited vixen?

"You know that your poor dad  
Has studies to do  
But he can't get them done  
From attending to you.

"You don't realize how  
The hours can fly  
As I study on through  
'Til the dawn tints the sky.

"With paper and pencil  
And mind working too  
In an effort to finish  
School before you do."

As he looked up at me  
With that cute little grin  
I realized then  
It would never sink in.

For I heard him exclaim  
'Ere I turned out the light  
"Douglas, it's your turn  
To start a good fight."

What can you say  
When they go on a spree?  
Especially a boy  
Who only is three.

Golf Pro: "Just go through the motions without hitting the ball."

Dub: "That's precisely the trouble I'm trying to overcome."



## Anchor!

An anchor seems to be an unoffending object.

One of our gold-braided Annapolis deities, thinking in retrospect, undoubtedly thinks otherwise.

For security reasons, and others, we shall call him Captain Woodhead. With the rank of Commander, U. S. Navy (Annapolis). Captain Woodhead was in command of an attack cargo vessel bound for the invasion of a small island of volcanic origin. In company were many other units of the U. S. Navy.

One unpleasant morning, there appeared, leering at us through the mist, our destination. Other naval units had already arrived. The noise of battle was that of a thousand thunders and it made brief snatches of silence seem like the end of the world.

The staccato flashes of the flagship's blinker, intermingled with those of the bombardment rockets, aroused our signalmen from their contemplations. The message poured forth:

ComTransDiv zero to TransDiv zero.

**H HOUR PLUS FOUR ANCHOR AREA SIX AND PREPARE TO UNLOAD.**

Area six was large and there were many ships. Captain Woodhead felt he should pick out for his ship nothing but the best position.

The ocean floor is no respecter of persons, regular or reserve, and the Captain's ship, after the time for anchoring had come and gone, was still looking for an anchorage—darting here and there like the flame of a candle in a drafty room.

These maneuvers did not escape the astute Commander of Transport Division Zero. Summarily, and in a friendly manner, he sent:

ComTransDiv zero to U. S. S. Catchit.

**THAT'S RIGHT—HAVE A GOOD TIME—RIDE AROUND AND ENJOY YOURSELF.**

Authorities later consulted said Captain Woodhead's facial expression did not change one bit when reading this unusually graphic communication. The U. S. S. Catchit continued to race hither and yon amidst the turmoil.

The clatter of the blinker indicated more activity on the signal bridge. A pale-faced seaman soon descended to the navigation bridge bearing good tidings to the Captain from across the water. Perhaps the shortest message of the war, it said:

ComTransDiv zero to U. S. S. Catchit.

**ANCHOR!**

Captain Woodhead's fine training and years of experience then came to the rescue. In carefully analyzing the message, he realized it meant but one thing. He must anchor his ship and prepare to discharge cargo.

"Stand by to Anchor" went over the

sound powered intercom phones. Confusion on the bridge increased in intensity. The executive officer fell over the phone cords; the engine control bells sang out their song of relief; the fathometer flashed readings of the water's depth; and the officer of the deck called out the range and bearing of everything in sight.

The anchor detail then heard, and obeyed, the fateful words, "Let go the anchor." The brake on the electric winch was released and the starboard anchor began to quietly slip into the water. Tense, expectant, the anchor detail awaited further orders. Slowly, irrevocably, link after link unwound as the long steel serpent uncoiled. New black paint came into view. The men knew the chain had never been uncoiled to this point. Eyes full of questions, ears straining for an order, turned toward the bridge and the supreme authority.

The water was deep; the Captain unsure. At last, the order was given. The brake was applied. The anchor and chain, now too deep in the water, too heavy a load, was beyond control. The anchor winch screeched in agony, and faster went the steel reptile, as though uncoiling for the strike. It came, as the chain ran out, snapped out of its locker, and bared its fangs by gouging into the steel deck in a shower of sparks, before going to its final resting place.

So ended the career of an anchor. You say, perhaps that of an officer and a gentleman too. Oh no, Captain Woodhead, an Annapolis man, stayed on to do bigger and better things another day.

### DEAN'S LIST

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Charles Mathieu, William Maus, Salvatore Mazzaferro, George McGurk, Arthur Meyer, Francis Moquin, Marcella Moran, Howard Mosher, Francis Murphy, William Nagle, Walter Niemczyk, Edward O'Connor, Jerome O'Connor, Robert O'Connor, Walter Olechna, Raymond O'Malley, Philip Omasta, John O'Neill.

Charles Packard, Ralph Peat, Roland Person, Raymond Phaneuf, Joseph Reilly, Thomas Reilly, Charles Rheume, Earlon Rich, Rose Riskalla, Elbert Robbins, Allan Rodgers, Joseph Rogers, Lena Rossi.

Doris St. Germain, Arthur Schwartz, Alvin Seligman, Thomas Shea, Douglas Sherman, James Shonak, Donald Smith, Elizabeth Sullivan, Roland Swanson, Michael Szwed, Frances Taylor, William Towns, Brooks Townsend.

David Walker, John Walsh, Robert Wareham, Eugene Weaver, Lois Weissbach, Frank Wender, Edward White, Curtis Wing, Frederick Winterle, Donald Withee, Leonard Witkowski, Richard Wright, Norman Wrigley, Aldo Zarlengo.

## OH, OUR ACHING PLAQUE!

Who is responsible for having inscriptions made on the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity plaque? This is supposed to be part of the recognition given annually to that student of the Sophomore Class who has made the highest grade in all courses of the first two years.

The last inscription made on this plaque was in 1945. Since then there have been four more winners of this award.

The efforts expended by the recipients of this award and the public acclaim given to the winner by the school do not seem to be in keeping with the almost unpardonable delay in this, the last step in the recognition procedure.

It is suggested that the fraternity annually appoint one of its members to see to it that the name of the recipient of the award for the prior school year is properly enscribed upon the plaque. Possibly then we may gaze in awe at an up-to-date list of our scholastic giants.

## FRESHMAN RECEPTION

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Later in the evening when time came to serve refreshments, some of these same gentlemen assisted admirably in the kitchen. As a matter of fact, it was due to the unsuspected number of handsome chefs and waiters who pitched in with Northeastern spirit that almost everyone managed to get a sandwich and a cup of coffee.

We were very pleased to have Director Churchill in attendance and welcomed his short but inspiring speech, commented upon in another article in this issue. Also present, as guests of honor, were Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Weller, Jr. Mr. Weller was presented with a brief case as a remembrance of his work as registrar here at Springfield Northeastern. Bob is at present studying for his doctorate at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. We were also pleased with the number of faculty members and their wives that attended.

With the 1949 Freshman Reception and Dance a matter of history, your student council will shortly be formulating plans for THE big event of the school year—the semi-formal Spring Dance, to be held some time in April. You should immediately be formulating plans to attend!

"How did George break his leg?"

"Well, do you see those steps over there?"

"Yes."

"George didn't."

## FIAT LUX!

This is a gripe—pure and simple. It has undoubtedly been heard many times before and very likely will be heard many times again, but as one who has suffered through six (almost) long years, many times having the desire to give forth on this particular subject, I would like to give vent to my feelings and air this gripe just this once. I can then pass from these halls of learning contented.

Why do we not have decent lighting here in the classrooms of dear old Northeastern?

Granted, many of the classes are lecture courses where close work is not required but there is always the necessity of taking notes and many courses do involve reference to reading material. For the student who has been doing close work all day a period of two hours in a Northeastern classroom is likely to result in a trip to the local aspirin mill.

We can appreciate that to revamp the lighting in the entire school would cost money and that this institution cannot depend upon alumni for donations but must operate strictly from tuition fees which admittedly are reasonable. We realize that during the war years the student body was very small and the school undoubtedly operated in the red at least part of the time. However, the flush post war years have most certainly changed this situation and such a capital improvement is most certainly justifiable.

We who must toil at night can do without the glamorous campus with the spacious green lawns. We can forgo the thrill of cheering our fellows on the gridiron. We can even continue to battle diligently, though fruitlessly, to get a satisfactory drink of water from the reticent drinking fountains that adorn the halls. But, please Mr. Northeastern, may we have light?

## TED GUZEK IS MANAGER

Mr. Thaddeus Guzek, class of 1951, has recently accepted the position of manager at the White Eagle Bottling Works in Chicopee Falls.

Ted, as he is better known, is engaged in extensive revision of the administrative and accounting systems of the concern. One of his current problems is the handling of depreciation and breakage on empty cases and bottles. Added to this headache is the fact the deposit on the case and bottles does not cover replacement cost.

The White Eagle Bottling Works does an extensive volume of business retail liquor, and wholesale beer and soft beverages. Ted invites all his fellow students to drop in and visit him; the drinks are on him . . . The Soft Drinks, that is!! Good luck, Ted, and we at Northeastern wish you all the success in the world.



## THE BEST THINGS

## IN LIFE ARE FREE

Northeastern faculty members and students are very fortunate to be able to attend the lecture series currently being sponsored by the student council.

The council has devoted a tremendous amount of unselfish time and effort to bring before us an educational and entertaining program of capable and interesting speakers. The lectures have been well worth attending and everyone who has had the good fortune to hear one or more of the talks, has commented upon the manner in which the subjects discussed by the guest lecturers, have been presented.

Scores of our undergraduates are abysmally unaware of current happenings on the national and international scene. Now is the opportune time to obtain keen insight into world-wide affairs from the engrossing discussions presented by well recognized authorities.

These lectures are presented free of charge by the student council and are carefully selected for our benefit so that the subject matter is at all times attention-arresting, and not beyond the levels of our interest.

Despite the excellent presentation, the attendance of faculty members and students has been very disappointing—a very impolite way to thank the council for their untiring efforts on our behalf. If we want the council to continue the lecture series, we certainly ought to show our appreciation and enthusiasm by providing a record-smashing attendance!

Remember, all lectures are free to the entire faculty, student body, friends and guests. It would be a very sad plight, indeed, if the discussion program were abandoned due to lack of response on the part of those for whom the benefit was intended.

So, let's go !!! On to the lecture series!

## SORORITY WELCOMES

## FRESHMAN GIRLS

A party was given for the new girls at Northeastern University on October 20, at 9:05 p.m. in the Sorority Room by the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

The following freshman girls were present and made welcome: Jean Winkler, Gloria Davis, Peg Hurley, Helen Gadowski, Ruth Simons, Selma Riskalla, and Shirley Boisvert.

After every one had a chance to become acquainted, the white elephants collected during the week were auctioned off by Betty Sullivan. It was great fun and everyone received good value for her bid. Cider and doughnuts topped off the evening.

A Christmas Party is being planned by the Sorority for December.

Watch the bulletin board, girls.

## N. U. LIBRARY OFFERS

## HELP TO STUDENTS

Have you been in the Northeastern Library lately? It's just down the hall from the office and you really should drop in once in awhile. Of course we're always striving for improvement but just the same we're proud of our existing facilities. Much of the research you may have been doing at the Springfield Library might very well be performed right here at school.

No, we don't subscribe to "True Exposures" or to the pulps—and we don't have copies of the comics—but we do have a good many of the latest and most interesting business and technicals. If you get to school early some night, drop in and while away a few minutes. You'd probably get a kick out of looking up the cost of living index in "Business Week" or maybe you want the latest dope on Aly and Rita from "Time." Be sure to examine the book shelves and see the variety of volumes dealing primarily with engineering, business, and legal subjects. Make a mental note of what we have, for who knows what future assignments may require!

Just for your convenience, the library is kept open each evening Monday through Friday from 6 until 10 p.m. The hours on Saturday are from 1 until 5 p.m. and even on Sunday, the library is open from 2 until 5 p.m.

On Sunday afternoon your host will be our new library assistant Carl Glans who works during the week at Collins Electric in the Bookkeeping Department, and is a student at Northeastern. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings, and Saturday afternoons Viola Boutote is in charge and will be glad to help you solve your research problems. During the week our hostess works at Storms Drop Forging Company. On Tuesday and Thursday evenings genial John Bly drops everything at Perkins Machine & Gear and hurries down to supervise Operation Book. As you know, John graduated from Northeastern last year, but still retains his interest in our activities for which we are grateful.

So be sure to drop in soon for an hour or two of research or pleasant browsing. Just a word of caution though—We've received a complaint or two in the "Gossip" box about the excessive talking and noisemaking in the library, particularly during the evening hours. Come on down to the library any time you want to by all means—but please remember that your neighbor may be doing a little research. Or perhaps he's cramming for an impending three hour "rat race." If you'll be quiet for him, he'll be quiet for you and we'll all derive more benefit from our fine little library.

If you would make a great minded man your friend, correct him; if you would make a friend of a small minded man, flatter him.

## PI TAU KAPPA

## HEARS WEBSTER

Saturday, November 19th, was the date of a jovial get-together for the brothers of Delta Chapter of the Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity. Past-President's Night was celebrated and it was a pleasure to have ten of PTK's foreman helmsmen in attendance.

After a roast beef dinner, the Sheraton resounded to the strains of the old songs sung in the spirit of good fellowship, led by that great voice, Al McLennon.

Highlighting his experiences as a Scouter, Mr. Herbert Webster, the guest speaker, told about the development of a hobby—wood carving. Many excellent specimens of Mr. Webster's artistic hand and blade were shown, to the delight of the audience. The fact was demonstrated that unselfish work in the interests of the younger generation, have brought to Mr. Webster, in return, a fine hobby, and a satisfying means of relaxation.

A business meeting was held during the evening and Bob Welch, president for 1949-'50, presented to retiring president Bob Jahn, the past-president's pin, on behalf of the fraternity and in appreciation of a job well done.

Plans for the Christmas Party held Friday, December 16, at the Captain Leonard House in Agawam were discussed. The fraternity also acted favorably on the application for membership by Bernard M. Crosby, Russell Tirrell, and Carliss H. Wright.

The evening concluded, fittingly, with the acceptance into membership of two new brothers, Donald Blakeborough and Richard Caton. Congratulations to you both.

The fraternity brothers are busy people. Every month something new and interesting is going on. In October a fine dinner meeting was held.

December 16, is the date of the Christmas Party held at the Captain Leonard House in Agawam.

The new year will include the annual Governor's visitation scheduled for January 25.

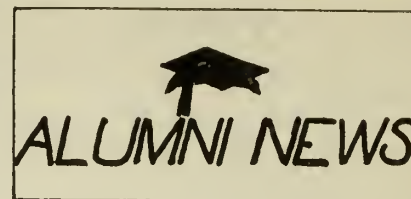
"Ladies Night" will be held February 18 at Toto's. This is always a good time. March will see the "Old Timers" having their night.

The highlight of the year is scheduled for May 13, when Springfield will play host to the other chapters for the annual inter-chapter competition.

Sounds like good times ahead when these brothers get together for an evening of fun and good fellowship.

The Sigma Nu Upsilon Christmas Party will be held at Blake's Restaurant on Sunday, December 18, 1949 at 2:00 P.M. All Northeastern girls are invited. Bring a 25 cent gift.

Some men decide there are no fish in the stream because they don't rise to the first fly offered; other men know enough to change their bait.



Burt L. Johnson, '42 B.B.A. in Accounting, has recently visited the school on two occasions.

Upon completion of a four-year tour of duty in the U. S. Army, which began very shortly after his graduation, Burt joined the staff of Scovell, Wellington & Company in its Springfield office. While gaining experience as a public accountant, he embarked on a concentrated self-study and review course in accounting problems, auditing, and commercial law for the purpose of preparing himself to sit in for the examinations for Certified Public Accountant.

In November, 1948, Burt successfully passed the last of his examinations and will become eligible to obtain his certificate in January, 1950 when he completes his three year's experience as a public accountant.

One of Burt's visits to the school was made to our library for the purpose of determining what law books are available for reference. Besides being a practicing public accountant, Burt has chosen to become a student once again by enrolling as a freshman, last September, at the University of Connecticut Law School in Hartford. This is an evening school which holds two-hour sessions, four nights a week for four years. This course of study leads to an L.L.B. Degree.

Burt has undertaken a pretty stiff program for the next four years and we here wish him the best of luck.

John Tharion, a member of last year's graduating class, was recently promoted in the General Electric organization. He has been transferred from the Holyoke plant where he was in charge of Payroll to the Pittsfield plant where he is now heading the Plant Appropriations division of the Accounting Department.

## Man Wanted

I want a man to work on my farm. I don't give dancing lessons, I have no piano, I can't serve planked steak three times a day. But, I do give three square meals, a real bed, and fair wages. If any man who can distinguish a cow from a tractor, can hear an alarm clock go off, and get up at five o'clock, wants the job, I will agree not to treat him like one of the family, but a darn sight better.

Apply at the Steve Wiggon Place, Intervale Road.

We know more bad things about ourselves than does anybody else yet, no one thinks so highly of us as we do ourselves.



# Spring Dance Issue

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## THE NOR'EASTER

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### Commencement Week Begins Sunday, June 4

Commencement Week at Springfield Northeastern will open with the Baccalaureate service at Faith Congregational Church on the forenoon of Sunday, June 4.

On the following evening Class Day exercises will be held with the time, place, and speakers, to be announced. Speakers for this occasion are elected by their classmates.

The familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" will ring forth for approximately 28 members of the class of 1950 on June 7 at 8:00 P. M. at the Faith Congregational Church. The commencement address will be given by Sumner Tucker Pike, B.A., LL.D. Mr. Pike has had a long and varied career in top business and government positions, presently serving as Acting Chairman of the important United States Atomic Energy Commission.

Undergraduates are urged to attend the baccalaureate service as well as the Commencement itself. Tickets for admission will be available in limited quantity at the bookstore and will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.

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### "Let Us Now Praise Famous Men"

This issue of the Nor'easter inaugurates a new series of articles devoted to well-known Northeastern men and women. No doubt you have heard their names and have read about them many times.

Let's take a look at some of your predecessors. Only thirteen graduates received their degrees in the class of 1922, when the total enrollment of the Springfield Division was only eighty-five. Today the enrollment has grown to more than 700. Shall we be able to win as high a proportion of distinction as did the graduates of our first classes?

#### THE CLASS OF 1922

Stanley O. Smith, B.C.S., Ed. M., President of his class. At the present

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### EPSILON HONORS BRIDE, BRIDEGROOM

Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity mixed business with pleasure at Blake's on March 21.

President Eugene Caradona and Fraternity members decided to hold their monthly business meeting where they could further celebrate the marriage of Brother Robert Kubicek to Rosemary Belcher of Sigma Nu Epsilon Sorority.

Mr. and Mrs. Kubicek were married on February 18. At the close of the business meeting, the social session began with a toast to Mr. and Mrs. Kubicek.

### Old Days Recalled at Faculty Dinner

For the first time in the history of Springfield Northeastern, classes were suspended on Tuesday, March 21, so that all faculty members could attend a dinner and reunion of faculty members, past and present, at the Sheraton Hotel.

The after-dinner talks dealt with the history, the hardships, and the triumphs of the college.

Robert R. Emerson, member of the Board of Governors, presided. He introduced Judge Donald M. Macaulay, who acted as toastmaster.

The speakers included Horace Rice, former associate dean of the Law School; Joseph Cushing, instructor during the early years of Springfield Northeastern; Stanley O. Smith, chairman of the committee which planned the affair; Hon. Charles Clason, former instructor in the Law School; Charles Lee, representing the affiliation of the University with the Y. M. C. A.; and Director John D. Churchill, who traced the growth of the college from its small beginnings to the present day.

Messages were read from former instructors who were unable to be present.

At the beginning of the program each of the sixty men present introduced himself and mentioned the length of his association with Springfield Northeastern.

### Student Council Completes Preparations For Annual Spring Dinner and Dance

#### Seniors Preparing For Commencement

Thomas Guiheen was elected President of the Class of 1950 at a meeting held on the evening of March 27, 1950.

Herbert Pace and Raymond Robillard, President and Vice-president of the Student Council respectively, organized the Senior Class. Other class officers include George Lacoske, Vice-president; William Hopper, Treasurer; and Frances Taylor as Secretary.

The committee appointed to handle Class Day activities includes William Hopper, chairman, and Elizabeth Sullivan, and Hans Scherbow. Michael Gonzales is in charge of publicity for the class. Martin Sowa was named chairman of the class gift committee, and John Babiarz and Walter Kwapien will assist him.

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### Better Brushes, Inc. Elects Many N. U.'s

Among the officers of Better Brushes, Inc., of Palmer, Mass., are four Northeastern University men, Stanley L. Metcalf, chairman of the board; L. A. Carpenter, president; Neil R. Thompson, treasurer; and C. Kenneth Sanderson, secretary.

Mr. Metcalf was our instructor in sales principles in the early '20's; Mr. Carpenter took a B.C.S. in '23, and an LL.B. in '33, was an active member of the student body both times through, and as an alumnus drafted the placement blank form for use of undergraduates and alumni now used in these offices; Mr. Thompson is an ex-member of the class of '39, working in accounting; Mr. Sanderson ex-'41, a student in our one-time law and business curriculum, has been among us in recent years and has all but completed requirements for his B.B.A.

The other of the remaining two officers, Mr. Charles H. Line, also frequently appeared in our classrooms as a substitute instructor.

Spring is here, bringing with it the thoughts that fancies turn to—especially those fancies which turn to thoughts of attending the traditional Spring Dance. And, speaking of turning, you'd better turn to April 22 on your calendar, for that's a red letter day for all Springfield Northeastern students—it's the date of your 1950 Spring Dance.

Your Student Council has been busy as bees in arranging a program for your evening's pleasure: invited speakers whose success included graduation from Springfield Northeastern; roast beef a la Hotel Kimball; Al Acorn and his orchestra; a handsome door prize for some lucky lady; printed dance programs for all the ladies; and a ballroom with decorations befitting a college dance.

You won't need to float a G. I. loan, either, in order to attend this year's dance—the tickets are \$2.25 each, tax included. (We hear that the dinner alone will cost the Student Council \$3.25 per plate!)

So drag out the evening gowns, girls (the dance is semi-formal) and make arrangements for the baby sitters early.

The annual dance of 1950 we guarantee will be a "nifty."

### FRAT FROLICS AT BLAKES

Dancers drifted dreamily along to the tunes of Freddy Falvo and his Dreamers on Saturday night of February 18.

The occasion was the merging together of the school Sorority and Fraternities in the annual St. Valentine's Day dance.

Epsilon Phi Sigma, which sponsored this affair, was greatly elated with the large attendance and success of the dance.

During intermission, refreshments were served.

Complete arrangements for this dance, which was held at Blake's were made by Albert LaRiviere, chairman of the entertainment committee of Epsilon Phi Sigma.



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## COMMUNITY COLLEGE SPIRIT

Once again as March 15 rolled around we heard the plaintive undertones of our classmates asking one another about the various charitable deductions that are allowable by Uncle Sam's Treasury Department, Bureau of Internal Revenue.

It is certainly very heart warming to know that Northeastern members are so generous but one becomes a little concerned as to the manner in which we give to these charities. Other schools in the Springfield area form their own divisional drives; set up a quota; and upon surpassing the objective turn the collection over to the local fund committee as a donation from the faculty and student body of the school.

In addition to fund raising drives, there are other programs such as the American Red Cross Blood Donor Campaign, which do not require any pecuniary contribution. Fortunately, very few of us have ever required a blood transfusion, but those few who have, can properly evaluate the importance of such a program.

The American Red Cross, the Community Chest, the American Cancer Society and other charitable and civic organizations are constantly sending letters of thanks to our neighboring schools for their cooperation in a local drive, but apparently the members of Northeastern University have no group community spirit.

It is not thanks for which we are looking, because we give for the sake of giving, and not for the sake of prestige. However, it would be a splendid gesture if we could show the public that we, at Northeastern University, have done our bit for the various campaigns by cooperating jointly and severally, instead of merely individually.

We have the leadership and ability among our enrollment but the spirit of cooperation among us is sometimes sadly lacking. Why should we stay in the background any longer? Let us give forth with our neighbors and take as firm a position in civic life as we do in the academic world.

It is time that we at Northeastern University bring public pride and respect to our school for other than scholastic achievements alone!

## A BUSY MAN

He's strictly a local boy, having been born and brought up in Springfield. He lives in Holyoke now but he owns a very fine lot in a fine residential area of Springfield and hopes to build a home there when conditions become somewhat more stable.

He graduated from the High School of Commerce in 1931. Shortly afterwards he launched his business career by accepting a clerical position in the Receiving Department of Forbes and Wallace. As the years progressed his ability was recognized and he was given increased responsibility. In September 1936 he started attending Northeastern University. In 1938 his employer found it expedient to transfer him to Schenectady as Fur Buyer. Although this was a promotion, it meant that he would have to give up his studies at Northeastern—but only temporarily.

He remained at his task in Schenectady until shortly after the outbreak of the war. On March 27, 1942 he volunteered for duty with the Navy. In December of that year he married a girl from Holyoke named Ruth Harris.

The honeymoon was curtailed due to the "exigencies of the service" and he was assigned to duty on a Destroyer Escort. He worked up through the

ranks and had been selected for officer training when the war ended. He was released from the service in October, 1945.

On November 5, 1945 he joined the staff of Scovell, Wellington & Co. as a Junior Accountant.

On the same day he resumed his studies, which had been halted 7 years before, at Northeastern University. Since the resumption of his school career, he has been consistently on the Dean's List and has always maintained an average mark above 90%. He received the coveted Gold "N" at the Spring Dance in April 1949. He will graduate in June 1951.

He's now a Senior Accountant with Scovell, Wellington. He and his charming wife live in Holyoke with their two small sons, Richard, age 3 years and Douglas, age 3 months.

He recently received one of life's great thrills when he was notified of the results of the C. P. A. exams which he took last November in Boston. Yes, the State of Massachusetts has a brand new C. P. A.—and a good one, too.

Who is this person? Haven't you guessed? It's none other than the genial, affable President of your Student Council—Herbert A. Pace.

**DON'T FORGET THE SPRING  
DINNER AND DANCE**

'Civilization' Comes  
To the South Pacific

The savage has either been "civilized" in recent years, or else he was not the poor benighted heathen the Ladies Missionary Society has always proclaimed him to be.

It was interesting to learn, first hand, of the modernization of the native of Melanesia and Micronesia. Originally, a simple man in his wants and desires, though sometimes barbarous, he was not slow in grasping the great benefits of civilization, which came with a bang in 1942 on a small piece of steaming jungle set like an emerald in a crown of beautiful blue.

"Civilization" brought more death and destruction in a few short weeks than these isolated islands had witnessed before, or may ever witness again.

My first contact with the men of Melanesia came about when our ship was detached temporarily from its squadron, to swing away below the Equator to Florida Island in the Solomons Group on a special mission. The war passed this way over a year before. Upon anchoring we found peace, quiet, beauty, heat, and a most amazing native population.

I always managed to go ashore wherever we stopped, probably because of my work in the Supply Division and, of course, I made it a point to mix business and pleasure, and do some looking around. This was no exception.

Disembarking on the beach from an LCVP, I saw a hardened road leading to a cluster of buildings and boldly I set forth. As I reached the road, a large Army truck bore down upon me at Greyhound bus speed. Brakes screeched. I jumped.

Ready to out-cuss the Brooklyn taxi driver, I was confident was behind the wheel, I stepped up to the cab. Looking at me, hair standing at attention, a face like midnight, eyes and mouth a-laughing, was the first cannibal I had ever seen. He said, "Want ride?" I got in without question. This fellow was civilized if he drove like that. Our conversation was limited, but I did find out where the Naval Supply Depot was located.

An amazing transformation, I thought. Cannibal to truck driver in such a short time. I wondered what other progress the "civilized warriors" had bought.

It didn't take long to find out. At my next stop, I saw one group of natives hammering rust off the bottoms and sides of a steel landing craft, and another group working with rakes and shovels on the road. There was something faintly reminiscent about it all.

No, it couldn't be.

Yes, it must be.

No, no, impossible!

It was true. The roadmakers were

leaning on their tools; the men with the hammers were very inconsistent with their strokes.

The crowning touch! however, occurred when one of the statues on the road job came to life as I went by, and pointed to my watch. My superior and civilized intelligence told me he wanted to know the time.

With a smirk up my sleeve, I said, "Twenty after four." He said, smiling, "Uh huh! quit four-thirty!"

Yes, these men were savages a short time before. The Navy man to whom I spoke at the Supply Depot explained that these natives were working for the British Government, within whose mandate the Solomons lay. They had been promised steady work in return for their earlier aid. I had seen a British W.P.A. in action. At the moment, the only dissatisfaction among the natives was that the Americans, who had been paying sixty cents a day, had pulled out, and the British who paid only twenty cents a day were now in charge.

The local union representative was undoubtedly making plans to take this matter up with the officials.

So ended my first encounter with the man-eaters of Oceania.

Away we sailed to the mystic island of Espiritu Santo in the New Hebrides. Here, they said, the natives could be fleeced of valuable souvenirs for a trinket or two.

The crew, knowing they would get ashore, gathered all their broken knives, discarded pencils, useless locks, odd buttons—everything and anything that was valueless, but with which, history books said, continents were bought.

My earlier experience made me reticent about bragging of the deals in which I would triumph. The men spoke loudly of the Yankee horse trading they were going to carry on.

Alas, civilization had arrived before us. There is no need to tell the whole sad story. One brief example will do.

John B. went ashore to find a fortune in exchange for a good padlock, the key to which had been lost for some time. He soon discovered the method of trading, and sought out a native who wore a beautiful necklace of carved ebony and shells. Holding up his precious padlock, he pointed to the necklace saying, "trade?"

At sight of the padlock, the black man's eyes spun in their sockets, the beetlenut-stained teeth flashed in a big grin, and the head nodded. Black hands fondled the brass padlock and John knew it was in the bag. He reached out to remove the necklace. A muscular black arm came up blocking further action on John's part. The savage, the head hunter, the primitive man spoke, "You gottum key?"

Ah yes, just leave our boys on any island, anywhere. Civilization will come in one form or another.



## Do You Know Your Council?

Do you know:

The Student Council at Northeastern was formed about nine years after the school opened? The Council was started by a group of students who felt such a body was needed in the school.

Do you know:

The first Councils were elected entirely by the student body? After a few years, interest in the Council dropped to a point where the Council was practically inoperative. The school authorities, recognizing the value of the Council to both the student body and the school, took steps to keep it a functioning organization.

Do you know:

The Student Council normally consists of eighteen members? Five are elected by the student body and thirteen members are appointed by the school administration. The office appointees are chosen from a poll taken of the instructors. The instructors name students, who in their opinion, would make good Council members.

Do you know:

The duties of the Council are many, one of the most important being the supervision of the spending of the Student Activity Fund, which is allocated by the University budget? The Council acts as a middleman between the administration of the University and students in problems that may arise. The Freshman Reception and Dance and the annual Spring Dance are sponsored by the Council. The Student Council each year selects the student or students who have done the most for the school in that year. To these students the Council awards the traditional "N" pins. The Council plays a vital part in the extra activities of the school.

Do you know:

The school administrative body would be very happy to see the student body display an active interest in the Student Council, to the point where it would once more be entirely student organized and managed?

Do you know:

There are many opportunities for an active Student Council to carry on several additional activities to the mutual benefit of the student body and the school? One of the first of these could be the forming of class organizations and electing of class officers.

You should know:

That serving on the Council and taking an active part in the affairs of the council is a wonderful opportunity to put into practice the theory learned in classrooms?

You should know:

That an interested student is a good student. An interested Council member is a good Council member. Candi-

dates who are interested and wish to serve on the Council should announce themselves a month or six weeks before election time and organize an active campaign for election, for the honor and distinction of serving on the Student Council.

You should know:

That the many benefits and pleasures that are possible with a live Student Council can only be achieved with the cooperation and active participation of you the students?

You should know:

Your Student Council and make it just that.

## Let Us Now Praise

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time he is Principal of the High School of Commerce.

**George W. Rice, Jr., B.C.S.,** Vice president of his class and assistant to the City Treasurer while still a student at Northeastern. City Treasurer of Springfield for over twenty years.

**Hazen R. Ober, B.C.S.,** formerly Treasurer of the Federal Land Bank, Springfield and now President, Torrington Savings Bank, Torrington, Conn.

### THE CLASS OF 1923

**Chester L. Chambers, LL.B.,** Vice-president of his class, and Vice-president of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

**Robert W. Emerson, B.S.C.,** President of his class and Treasurer of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Mr. Emerson is a member of the Board of Governors of Springfield Northeastern.

**Charles T. Powers, A.B., B.C.S., A.M. D.C.S.,** Director of Business Administration, American International College.

### THE CLASS OF 1924

**Edward P. Grace, B.C.S., C.P.A.,** Treasurer of Springfield Merchants, Inc., Publishers of Springfield Shopping News for many years and formerly on the staff of Springfield Northeastern.

### CLASS OF 1924

**Donald M. Macaulay, A.B., LL.B.,** Judge of Probate, Hampden County, and a member of the Board of Governors of Springfield Northeastern.

## Commencement Week

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Commencement exercises will be concluded with annual Alumni Reunion dinner and business meeting on the evening of Thursday, June 8. The time and place will be announced later by the Springfield Northeastern Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Though no plans have been reported as yet, anniversary class reunions normally come on Class Day. Classes that should hold reunions this year are the twenty year class, the class of 1930; and the classes of 1925, 1935, 1940 and 1945.

## Names Wanted For "N" Award

Nearly ten years ago, Harley B. Goodrich finished the requirements for his second degree from Northeastern. With this accomplishment went the awarding to him of the first of many "N" pins. The "N" award is given each year to any student who, in the eyes of the Student Council, merits material recognition of his efforts. Contrary to general opinion, the recipients of our "N" award are not limited to members of the Student Council. It is only because recognition of accomplishments is brought to the Council's attention.

This is your award sponsored by you through your Council. The final decision rests with you, and it is not necessary to graduate twice. In Northeastern we have two fraternities and one sorority. We also have a newly organized Outing Club. This along with the Student Council and the 700 plus individuals who attend our school should make for an ample source of candidates. We of the Council want this information. Let it be forthcoming.

Your Student Council

## N.S.A. Meets in August

**MADISON, Wis.**—Student governments will probably pay less next year for membership in the U. S. National Student Association.

"Lower operational costs and strict economy will make possible a recommendation from the NSA national staff to the 1950 Congress that member dues be reduced," NSA president Robert A. Kelly said.

"However, no exact reduction has been worked out on paper," Kelly explained. "The cut shall release additional money for local student government activities."

NSA has a tradition of voting a dues reduction each year at the annual Congress, which this year will be held August 23-31, at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The Association operates on a \$33,000 annual budget. Each year a greater share of the budget comes from revenue-producing projects and a lesser amount from student governments. NSA's budget comes from projects of the Association, including the sale of publications, and advertising in the NSA News.

The cutback would not affect dues schools pay to their autonomous regional NSA organizations. However, national dues make up the greatest part of the cost of NSA.

Kelly pointed out that the increasing numbers of new NSA member schools are also providing an increasing revenue while the expense of servicing additional requests for information and aid remains relatively stable.

## ALUMNI NEWS

John Laming, '39, is one of fourteen in Western Massachusetts, soon to be admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He is well known locally in title examining and real estate conveyancing through his connections with the Ellis Title Company.

Earl Paine, '27, president of the Springfield Civitan Club, recently announced plans for the annual convention of the New England District Council of Civitan International. The convention will be held Sunday, May 21, 1950 in Hotel Sheraton. Among the past-district governors are Mr. William W. Johnston, for many years a faculty member, and Karl A. Martenson, a former Student. Director John D. Churchill is also a member of the group.

State Senator Ralph V. Clampit, '28, has been one of our most prominent legislators in the current session of the Massachusetts General Court.

Edward Gordon, '25, nationally known bridge player, died March 15, 1950. He was a graduate of Northeastern University Law School. He was a resident of Holyoke and owner of the Holyoke Travel Service.

## THOSE PLAQUES AGAIN

It is with a fine sense of satisfaction, after nearly one year of work, that the Activities Committee of the Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity announces the plaque, so cleverly called "My Aching Plaque" in the last issue of Nor'easter, has been brought up to date.

Because of the war and hectic years which followed, Epsilon Phi Sigma experienced many discouraging setbacks. These setbacks became problems, and so many were there that the Fraternity was in reality reorganized. The hours of planning and doing have stretched into months and now years.

Tag Week, as sponsored by Epsilon for the aid of fellow students who need a helping hand in a financial way, is recent evidence that things are nearly right again with the Fraternity.

And now the plaque has had its face put right, so that one and all can read the names of our "scholastic giants" who have earned by sweat and toil a scholarship award from Epsilon Phi Sigma.

It is suggested that inscriptions be made now on the Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity plaque. Possibly then we may gaze in awe at an up-to-date list of their scholastic giants.

Rosemary Belcher, President of Sigma Nu Upsilon and Robert Edward Kubicek, '52, said their "I do's" on February 18, 1950 at Assumption Church, Chicopee, Mass.



## POEM ON POETRY

Once upon a Thursday dreary  
While I pondered ('til I grew weary)  
Over how to write some simple lines  
In which each pair would surely  
rhyme.

Suddenly, I got an inspiration  
(All I needed was imagination)—  
Prepare a list of words and phrases;  
Find others, then put them in rhym-  
ing places.

Like "late for classes" and "tardy  
passes";  
"Trouble parking" and "rough on  
marking";  
"Student throngs" and "yule-tide  
songs"—  
Now to put them where they belong:

Ins ructors insist on tardy passes  
For students who are late for classes.  
A word to the wise they say is suffi-  
cient,  
So on this score, let's be efficient.

We'll have our usual trouble parking;  
We'll dislike teachers who are rough  
on marking;  
We'll do our share of constant griping  
For assignments given in excess of  
liking.

All too soon it's the end of October  
Finding all students a little more  
sober.

Plans have been made for the Fresh-  
man Dance  
Where oldsters and newsters come  
to prance.

The student throngs at class-end gongs  
Will make us yearn for yule-tide  
songs  
That we will sing on our vacation  
At the end of December—comes  
relaxation!

Back to school for mid-year exams  
(If you're like me, you'll have to  
cram).  
Then, if ever, cold winds will blow  
We'll skid to school on ice and  
snow.

In April we'll all have our chance  
To attend the traditional Annual  
Dance.  
Pride of Northeastern, better be there!  
Good eats, good music, fun to share.

Before we know it, Spring is here  
Affecting accountant and engineer.  
Trees are budding, shading the lake,  
It's getting hard to concentrate.

A school year is over, a milestone is  
won,  
We feel satisfaction in work that's  
been done.  
Our life in the making; our future in  
mold;  
To help us surmont what Providence  
holds.

## Seniors Preparing

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Members of the class include Mario Daniel Arcobello, John Babiarz, Albert Gottlieb Baer, Edward M. Bidwell, Norman James Cartmill, Edward R. Deane, Frank Joseph Dlugosz, Henry Thomas Downey, Alphe Roland Duby, Albert Joseph Dudzik, Jr., Michael Gonzales, Samuel Eugene Goodenough, John Roger Sullivan, Thomas Francis Guiheen, William Albert Hopper, Walter Kwapien, Angelo Mario Lacivita, George Edward Lacoske, Elio Joseph Laramée, Harold John Pansch, Vincent Henry Pulvirenti, Doris L. St. Germain, Martin Joseuh Sawa, Edwin W. Schroeder, Heinz J. Sherbow, Nicholas Sophinos, Elizabeth Anne Sullivan, and Frances Irene Taylor.

## PREVIEW OF SPRING

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game," although not one of the customary "harmonizers" for Pi Tau Kappa could have served well, on Saturday evening, March 18th, in the Church of the Unity auditorium.

It was a pleasure to have George Nosker and Tom Stewart of the Springfield Cubs, as guest speakers. To get the boys in the proper spirit, the Spalding-Hillerich and Bradsby sponsored "World Series - 1949" movie followed a tasty dinner served by the ladies of the Church.

Mr. Nosker, aided by Mr. Stewart, briefly commented on the coming baseball season, locally. They answered numerous questions put to them by the more ardent baseball fans. It was evident from the interest within this one small group, that organized baseball should be successful in Springfield.

Following the baseball session, Paul Brown, Bob Cizek, and Phil Overlook became the newest members of Delta Chapter. They stood the test well, and it is with pleasure they were welcomed to Pi Tau Kappa. Congratulations and good luck, gentlemen.

Prospective members voted on favorably were Dick Fairchild, Bruce McCloud, Bob Sanderson, and Curtis Wing. It is anticipated these Northeastern men will become brothers during our twenty-fifth anniversary meeting on May 13.

Speaking of our anniversary, all PTK men are urged to make plans to attend the celebration, as this meeting will include the regular annual inter-chapter competition. Fraternity brothers from Providence, Boston, and Worcester will be with us to help celebrate and try to keep Delta Chapter from winning, for the third successive year, the fraternity plaque.

There will be entertainment, dinner, dancing, and, in general, a good time for all, including wives and sweethearts. The Hotel Kimball is the place; May 13, the date.

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES CLUB

If you are a reader of the front bulletin board, you probably have seen notices of the various excursions of the Northeastern University Outdoor Activities Club.

The club began 1950 with a new slate of officers: Walter Lachman was elected Chairman; Lois Taylor, Secretary; and Raymond Robillard, Organizer.

The weather has tried to "dampen our spirits" on a few occasions. Our hayride was turned into a bowling party.

Hiking has been one of our favorite excursions. Mr. Chauncey, our faculty advisor, lead us on our first hike thru Mt. Tom Reservation. Mr. Chauncey was unable to attend our next hike in November, but offered several good suggestions. We hiked through Forest Park but instead of following the regular trails, we blazed a few new ones of our own. Also included in our November outings was a horseback ride.

The January outing was a bowling party instead of the tobogganing party which was originally planned. Before bowling we looked over a few likely places to have future tobogganing parties.

Our next outing is to be on April 16. An invitation is hereby extended to all students and faculty to attend if they so desire.

It seems that Northeastern students enjoy snow much more on Sunday afternoons than on school nights. We can prove this point by the good time the members of the Outdoor Activities Club had on their outing on February 19. Skiing and sliding were enjoyed by the group at Franconia Golf Club. Even though some people got their slacks wet (a very puzzling occurrence) everybody had a wonderful time.

Any students who think they don't get enough exercise during the week, who want to keep that youthful figure, or who just love the great outdoors should contact the club secretary, Miss Lois M. Taylor, 25 Pleasant Street, Westfield, Mass., for further details.

Watch the Bulletin Board for meetings and the next outing.

## Accounting

Mr. Toth: "Mr. Skerker if I gave Mr. Guiheen \$1,000 to hold in trust for you with the provision that he was to give you fifteen per cent of the principal, annually; how much would Mr. Guiheen give you at the end of the first year?"

Mr. Skerker: "Nothing, sir."

Mr. Toth: "Mr. Skerker, I'm afraid that you do not know the problem."

Mr. Skerker: "Sir, I'm afraid that you do not know Guiheen."

Vernon Gerald Beatty, '55, will marry Miss Harriette Anne Bridgham on June 2, 1950.

## Sorority Initiates

## Three New Members

The smartly decorated rumpus room at the home of Mrs. Jean Bradish, 8 Magnolia Terrace, was the scene on Sunday, March 26, of the initiation of three new members into Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

The following girls taking the accounting course at Northeastern University were initiated: Shirley Boisvert, Selma Riskalla, and Doris St. Germaine.

We are pleased to welcome these girls and hope that they will enjoy their membership as much as other members enjoy having them.

The girls in charge of initiation were Rose Riskala, Rosemary Kubicek, Barbara Dubuzesk, and Lois Taylor.

Prizes in games were won by Shirley Boisvert and Doris St. Germaine.

Jean Bradish, assisted by Marion Premont, served a delicious luncheon of chicken a la king on pattie shells, tossed salad, chocolate eclairs, candy and coffee.

## Christmas Party

On Sunday, December 18, 1949 at 2:00 p.m. the girls of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority welcomed the Christmas Season at a party at Blake's Restaurant on Market Street. A delicious dinner was enjoyed by all. Gifts were exchanged and plans were made for future meetings.

## Shower

A kitchen shower party was given for our President, Rosemary Belcher, on January 22, 1950, at the home of Mrs. Leonard Witkowski (formerly Lorraine Sosville) 355 King Street. Rosemary received many useful gifts. Delicious cakes and coffee were served by our charming hostess.

Rosemary became the bride of Mr. Robert Edward Kubicek on Saturday morning, February the 18th, 1950, at 9:00 o'clock in Assumption Church, Chicopee, Massachusetts.

## Dessert Bridge

A dessert bridge party was held on March 5, 1950 at the home of Rose Mercure, 107 Park St. Holyoke.

Rose was assisted in the arrangements by Jackie Vogel and Barbara Dubuzesk.

Prizes were won by Rose Mercure, Jackie Vogel, Viola Willemain, Marjorie Greenwell, Lois Weisback and Selma Riskalla.

After the prizes were awarded refreshments were served.

Vincent A. Sales, a former Northeastern University student has recently been appointed Manager of the Life Insurance Department of the Boston Penny Savings Bank. He is also the Chairman of the Suffolk County Group of the Savings Bank Junior Officers' Forum. Mr. Sales joined the Staff of the Boston Penny Savings Bank in 1941.



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## Cormier's Death Saddens College

The untimely death of Louis T. Cormier on October 5, 1950 came as a sudden blow to all who knew him. A man who was loyal to Springfield Northeastern both as a student and later as an instructor, Mr. Cormier had only begun to bring honor to his school.

A certified public accountant, he was a partner in the firm of Fred A. Wright & Co., public accountants. He had recently been appointed president of the Ludlow Community Center. His professional memberships include the National Association of Cost Accountants, Certified Public Accountants' Association of Massachusetts, and the American Institute of Accountants.

A graduate of Springfield Northeastern, Mr. Cormier returned to teach the Accounting Problems I course. His students remember his sincere interest in their progress. A member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity, he was life time president of his class.

A native of East Longmeadow, Mr. Cormier had resided in Ludlow for the past thirty-eight years. Besides his wife, Mrs. Mary Cormier, a teacher in Ludlow High School, he is survived by four brothers and five sisters.

The staff of the Nor'easter expresses tribute to a gentleman respected by all his associates, a man who often served beyond the call of duty for his students and for his profession.

## Honors Announced at June Exercises

The 29th annual commencement of the Springfield Division of Northeastern University took place at Faith Church on June 7 at 8 P. M. Dr. Charles C. Noble, Dean of the Chapel at Syracuse University, was the commencement speaker, and Henry Downey and Thomas Guiheen delivered addresses for the graduating class.

Four students graduated with honor—Henry Downey, Thomas Guiheen, Norman Cartmill, and Doris St. Germain.

Director John D. Churchill announced the three undergraduate scholarship awards. Edward Kennedy re-

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## Downey '50 Hurdles C. P. A. Examination

Congratulations are in order for Henry Downey '50, who has been notified that he has successfully passed the certified public accounting examination.

Traveling to Hartford four nights a week, Hank has begun studies for an L. L. B. degree at the University of Connecticut Law School, Hartford Division.

Since his discharge from the service, Hank has been employed by Hitchcock and Company of Springfield. He has four years' public accounting experience. An honor graduate of the Class of 1950 he deserves every wish for continued success.

## Record Number on Dean's List

The dean's list for the college year 1949-50 shows that over 20 per cent of the student body succeeded in attaining the coveted average of 80% or better in all subjects. This is an outstanding gain of 5 per cent over the previous year.

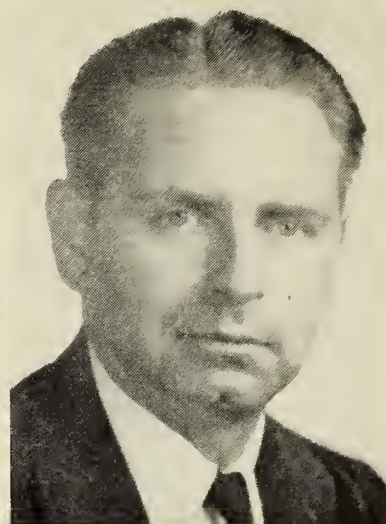
The following undergraduates made the dean's list:

Richard E. Ahearn, Arthur J. Atkins, Chester T. Babiarez, Charles A. Babinski, Edwin J. Balcerzewski, Robert L. Barrett, Harold A. Becker, Edward Bentz, Richard C. Blackburn, James F. Blake, Clayton R. Bohanon, Shirley I. Boisvert, Irving S. Boyce, Edward J. Brine, William J. Broderick, John J. Brody, George B. Brooks, Paul I. Brown, Harold J. Brunette, August R. Brus, William E. Bushey.

John M. Campbell, Russell C. Cape, Earl J. Carey, Francis J. Chunglo, Justin C. Converse, Clifford B. Cox, Thomas Crombie, Raymond G. Crouss, William H. Cullen, Richard C. Cummings, Thaddeus J. Derendal, Girard R. Desnoyers, Jerome F. Donoghue, George F. Dorval, Barbara M. Dubuzesk, Henry W. Dunwoody, Arthur L. Duquette, Donald P. Earle, George F. Edwards, Winston L. Ellenwood, Glenn R. Engel, Jr., Stanley E. Erickberg, Robert L. Feinberg, John T. Forhan, Jr., Daniel Friedman.

Thomas R. Garde, Arthur R. Garlington, Jr., Francis A. Gasparini,

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EDWARD KENNEDY, Chairman  
of Frosh Reception Committee

## Total Tops 750 as Large Class Enters

Crowded corridors as well as crowded classrooms are in evidence this year as a large freshman enrollment has brought the student body to near capacity. The class of 1956 now numbers 164 and brings the total number of students registered in the Springfield Division of Northeastern to 750. Although a complete analysis has not yet been made, it is reported that students are coming as far as from Hartford, Southbridge, Barre, Northampton, Brimfield, and almost every town in the Springfield area to pursue their studies.

A large percentage of the freshman are fresh from high school. The preponderance of veterans which prevailed in post-war freshman classes has dropped off considerably.

The senior class now numbers '56 which is far from the number which enrolled in 1945. A report on the number of students registered at the present time indicates that there is a large decrease in the size of a class after the first year. During the remaining years there are few students who do not continue.

The number of students in the Engineering, Management and Accounting courses remains about even with 281 students in the Engineering, 245 students in the Management and 204 students in the Accounting course.

## Frosh Reception Saturday Night

Saturday night, November 4, 1950, at Blake's Restaurant on Market Street, Springfield, Mass., the Annual Freshman Reception and Dance, sponsored by the Student Council will be held. Freddy Falvo and his Dreamers will play the music you like.

All freshmen and their wives or sweethearts are to be guests of Northeastern University and the Student Council. There will be dancing from eight to twelve with time out for a few words from our Director John D. Churchill. Refreshments will be available throughout the dance.

In the receiving line will be Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert C. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Andrew Henry Fuchs, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Murphy, and Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Sutcliffe.

The Freshmen Reception is the first social function of the school year, but it is not limited to freshmen only. A lot of upperclassmen and profs will be there, too.

Two tickets have been mailed to each freshman to accommodate him and his guest by the president of the Council, Carl Glans. Upperclassmen will be accommodated by their pocketbooks. Tickets may be had for the slight fee of seventy-five cents each. They will be on sale nightly before classes opposite the bookstore.

Chairman of the committee in charge of preparations for the reception was Edward Kennedy. Assisting him were Al LaRiviere, Curtis Wing, and Walter Lachman. They have planned an enjoyable evening for all.

## Council Publishes Freshman Bible

The Freshman Handbook published annually by the Student Council has been distributed. The purpose of this handbook is to help freshmen become better acquainted with Springfield Northeastern. A brief resume of the Divisional history of the University is presented.

The functions of the Student Council are described and the members are listed. Information concerning scholarship awards is also included.

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## THE NOR'EASTER

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The Class in English 3

### Let's Get Acquainted

This will be no heartening plea to do or die for old Alma Mater. We come here to study, and many of us find it both a financial and a mental strain to attend. We don't come here to join the sorority or a fraternity, and that outdoor activities club interests us passingly. The Student Council has good lecture programs, but John can go, that's not for us. All we want to do is come to class, bump along the corridor among strangers for some six years or more, and graduate a member of some class or other. Tell me how many of us know the name of that student three desks from ours — you know, what's his name?

There is a way to end this unsocial way of life. Start by coming to the Freshman Reception. You might find that some of your classmates are not really bookworms; you might suddenly discover that one of our profs isn't too bad a guy when he's out of the classroom, and better still, you might have some fun.

Some of your own classmates have put in a lot of time preparing this function for your enjoyment; in fact, you voted some of them into the Student Council. Show them some encouragement; give them an opportunity to provide you with an evening of fun.

You freshmen, too, this is your night, you know. Meet some of your own classmates socially; get to know the upper classmen. School nights are more pleasant if you see friendly faces in these corridors.

There is so little time in our crowded lives to do the things we want, and now school three nights a week cuts down our leisure hours to almost nothing. The folks at Northeastern who plan the functions limit them so as to take that fact into consideration. The Student Council expends its funds and energy on the most worthwhile activities. No one has any responsibility to the sorority, the fraternities or other clubs unless he or she belongs. However, everyone who is a student owes to Northeastern a certain loyalty, and old Alma Mater doesn't ask for too much!

We hope to see you at the Reception.

### For Seniors Only

It is a custom of the graduating class to elect its officers some time in the Spring, to select the class gift, and to make plans for the graduation activities.

A remark was passed last year at commencement exercises that the class members did not know each other. How true and how sad! We go through six or more years of schooling, struggling hard to win our degrees, but so alone. Wouldn't it be a little more friendly if we did get to know each other and could say at graduation time we are all friends? All working under the same conditions, each trying hard to finish this year, is a common bond with all of us.

Instead of waiting until spring to elect our class officers, why not elect them earlier this year and then go ahead with graduation plans sooner and in a more leisurely manner? Do we want a class book? If we do, it is up to us to start it soon. The 1951 Commencement is to be the thirtieth here at Northeastern. Should we commemorate it in some special manner? How about a souvenir booklet? This could take the place of the class book.

By meeting for a short while after class we could not only get to know each other but also discover just how the class feels about the above ideas or other suggestions. Wednesday, November 8, right after class the first meeting of the Class of 1951 will be held. Those who are unable to attend can drop their suggestions in the Nor'easter suggestion box in the front lobby so that the rest of the class will be able to act upon them. Watch the bulletin board for any plans of the Class of 1951.

Marie Gunderson, who attended Northeastern for several years, is not continuing her studies this year. She has purchased the Cross Pharmacy in Huntington, Massachusetts and is managing the business full-time. Marie is not only an enterprising business woman, but a registered pharmacist as well. All her N. U. friends wish Marie good luck.

As a guest of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Mr. Clarence I. Chatto will participate in a "Techni-Forum" to be held at the school to discuss the qualifications of students best fitted for an engineering education, the scholastic prerequisites, and the role of the professional engineer in society. The members of the group will be eighteen secondary school educators.

## N. U. Clubs Begin Active '50 Season

The young men you saw around last week who seemed to be inappropriately dressed for an educational institution should not have caused too much alarm. They were merely going through an initiation period before being accepted into Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity.

The boxes of coins they carried were not stolen from a near-by church — the boys were only collecting odd change (and more, too.) for their scholarship fund. Your contribution was appreciated.

For their good work the initiates will be given a rousing welcome into the Fraternity. A banquet in their honor will be given on October 28 in the Hotel Kimball's Embassy Room.

### PI TAU KAPPA FRATERNITY

The PI TAU KAPPA Fraternity held their annual meeting at Storowtown, June 3, 1950, to elect the officers for the ensuing year. The following members were elected to office: President, Frank W. Curtis, Jr.; Vice President, Charles D. Dinnie; Secretary, John E. Bly; Treasurer, Carl E. Winterle; Chaplain, Donald R. Moore; Historian, Charles F. Packard; Executive Committee, Robert T. Welch, Robert W. Hutton, and George S. Jackson; Governors, David A. Duncan, Robert D. Jahn, Paul C. Thelig, and Robert T. Welch.

During the summer months, the newly elected officers of PTK were busy attending meetings and making program plans for the 1950-'51 season. The program selected for the coming year is as follows: Sept. 24, Annual Golf Tournament; Oct. 17, Organization Meeting; Nov. 25, Past Presidents' Night; Dec. 22, Christmas Party; Jan. 20, Old Timers' Night; Feb. 10, Ladies' Night; Mar. 17, Initiation Meeting; Apr. 14, Visitation; May 5, Competition at Providence; June 2, Annual Meeting; June 23, Annual Picnic.

### Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority Activities Calendar

October 23 — Reception for freshmen girls will be held in the Sorority Room.

November 5 — Afternoon social will be held at the home of Miss Rose Mercure at which time colored slides of Southern California taken on Rose's vacation will be shown.

December 17 — The Annual Sorority Christmas Party will be held at the Sheraton Hotel.

Following the graduation rehearsal on June 2 the sorority held a reception for members of the graduating class, their guests, and the faculty in the lower dining hall of the Y.M.C.A.

The event which is held annually by the sorority in honor of the graduates was well attended. Preparations for the buffet supper were made by the hostess committee.

Misses Elizabeth Sullivan, Frances Taylor, and Doris St. Germain were honored by the Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority on June 11 at a tea given at the home of Miss Rose Mercure. Mrs. Benjamin Vogel entertained with piano selections by Chopin, Federer, Liszt, and Rachmaninoff. The presentation of gifts was made by Miss Ramona Delworth, president.

Shirley Boisvert was hostess for the sorority picnic held on June 25. The girls had lunch in Shirley's garden, and then were surprised with a birthday cake and trimmings presented by Mrs. Boisvert for Shirley's birthday, June 25!

### Outdoor Activities Club

The Outdoor Activities Club held its first get acquainted party and outing for the 1950-'51 season at Forest Park, Sunday, October 8. Its purpose was to enable the Freshmen to meet the Upper Classmen. The afternoon was spent in strolling through the park in the enjoyment of the beautiful fall foliage. A picnic lunch and then plans for the coming year brought the perfect autumnal day to a close.

During the summer, the activities included a visit to Old Sturbridge Village. Besides taking in all the sights at the "living museum", the members had lunch on the picnic grounds.

The Outdoor Activities Club is the only coeducational activity at Northeastern. Its purpose is to help the students know each other, to form friendships that may oftentimes outlast their college days, and to take part in some activity of their choice. The Club tries to meet at least once a month and spend the time bowling, hiking, horse-back riding, skating, tobogganing, or doing whatever the members wish to do.

If you have any suggestions as to what you would like to do, won't you please attend the next meeting and let it be known? Watch the bulletin board for notice of the next meeting or contact the following officers:

Walter Lachman, President

Lois Taylor, Sec. and Treas.

Ray Robillard, Organizer

All freshmen are invited to join and to take part in the get-togethers.

Dr. Edward Fuchs, instructor in freshman English, was married on August 26 to Miss Ivy Kent of Springfield, formerly of Manchester, England. The wedding took place in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Missouri.



## Several New Instructors Greet Classes at Beginning of 1950-51 College Year

The Springfield Division of Northeastern welcomes to its staff two new instructors for the 1950 fall term and the return of Walter F. Kaufman, a former member of the faculty in 1942, who has resumed teaching his course in mechanics after an absence of eight years.

### Robert E. Murphy

Robert E. Murphy, of Springfield, has been assigned to teach English to a section of freshmen. He succeeds David Green, assistant treasurer at Union Trust Co. Mr. Murphy is a graduate of Yale University, Yale Graduate School, and Yale Law School, receiving his L. L. B. degree in 1948. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Mr. Murphy served as a lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps from 1943 to 1946. He is now an attorney with the Springfield firm of Gordon, Doherty, Bulkley, and Godfrey, and a member of the Hampden County Bar Association. Mr. Murphy is married and lives at 52 Fort Pleasant Ave.

### Frank O. Isham

Frank O. Isham, of Longmeadow, has been appointed to instruct the half-year advanced course in constructive accounting and auditing. Mr. Isham is an alumnus of Springfield Northeastern and received his bachelor of business administration degree in engineering and business with the class of 1938. Since 1942 he has been an accountant on the staff of Scovell & Wellington. He is also the former accountant and office manager for Warren Thread Works of Westfield. The societies in which he is a member are the American Institute of Accountants, Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants, National Association of Cost Accountants, and Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity.

Mr. Isham is married and has one son, Richard D.

The new Professor fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Trippe, who has been promoted to Treasurer of the Rome, N. Y. Trust Co.

### Ralph S. Warner

Mr. Ralph S. Warner, who has often substituted for Mr. Henschke, instructor in advanced engineering drawing, has been appointed a regular instructor in the course.

Mr. Warner graduated from Springfield Northeastern in 1943 and received his degree, B. B. A. in Engineering and Business, with honor. A comment speaker, he discussed the affect of the recent war on the evolution of engineering. As an undergraduate, he was a member of the Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity, the Student Council, and a participant in other undergraduate activities.

He has been employed for a number of years as an engineer of the American

Bosch Corporation. He holds membership in the American Institute of Electrical Engineering.

Also known for long years of scouting activity and service he held the rating of skipper of the sea scout ship for three years. He is married and lives at 349 Prospect Street, East Longmeadow, Mass.

### Richard E. Menzel, Jr.

In the emergency unexpectedly presented to the administration upon the passing away of Mr. Cormier, they called upon Richard E. Menzel, Jr., who took his B. B. A. degree in accounting in 1937.

A brilliant student and a well-liked one in his undergraduate days, he was Mr. Cormier's immediate predecessor in Accounting 7-8, relinquishing it at that time because of the pressure of duties in connection with his own rapidly developing accounting practice.

Life-time treasurer of the Class of 1937, Mr. Menzel received his C. P. A. certificate in 1942. Before going into business for himself, he worked as a bookkeeper for the Springfield Coal Company, and then spent six years with John Hopkins and Co., followed by a short period with the City of Springfield.

He is a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants and the American Institute of Accountants.

### Leon D. Chapin, Jr.

The pre-college faculty welcomes the appointment of Leon D. Chapin, Jr. as instructor in pre-college economics. Mr. Chapin is well known for his effective and devoted service as acting Bursar.

A graduate of the Springfield Northeastern class of 1939, he received his B. B. A. degree in management. An active and appreciated member of the student body in his undergraduate days, Mr. Chapin has continued this interest through his part-time connections with the University since. He is reported by the administration as having rendered not only full-time service but full loyalty to the cause of Springfield Northeastern, though he received in return only part-time pay on the basis of part-time employment.

Like many of the students and faculty, too, here at Northeastern, Mr. Chapin is a veteran, having seen active service in the Italian theater. Before and since the war, he has been employed by the Federal Land Bank. Mr. Chapin is married and lives at 5 Federal Court in Springfield.

### Walter F. Kaufman

After a long absence Walter F. Kaufman has returned to Springfield Northeastern to carry on his course in mechanics which was interrupted in

1942 by the war.

Mr. Kaufman obtained his secondary school education in New York City at the Dewitt Clinton High School and received his degree as bachelor of science in mechanical engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1938, graduating in the top five per cent of his class. His early experience as a teacher was gained while assisting the applied mechanics professor part time at M. I. T. during his last year.

From November 1942 to June 1946, Mr. Kaufman served in the Army as a captain in the Ordnance Department and as tank overhaul officer.

At present Mr. Kaufman is employed as wire rope engineer in the Palmer plant of the Wickwire Spencer Steel Division of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Corporation. In addition he is a company representative and member of the Wire Rope Manufacturers' Standardization Sub-Committee of the American Petroleum Institute, and a member of the Division of Production of the American Petroleum Institute. Among his other occupational activities, he is secretary of the Technical Committee of the Wire Rope Institute.

His social interests are the Young Men's Christian Association and the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Kaufman is the current scoutmaster of Palmer Troop 161. He is connected also with the American Legion and the Connecticut Valley M. I. T. Club.

Mr. Kaufman is married and lives at 40 Knox Street, Palmer.

## WIDE OPEN SPACES

Since most of our city thoroughfares were built to accommodate the horse and buggy, the problem of parking has been a serious problem to our city fathers. With the ever increasing number of cars being registered each year, very little is being accomplished in relieving night congestion in the downtown area. It is not my intent at this time to take up the question of traffic congestion in the downtown areas during the day, but I am interested in what happens during our school hours.

Our classes begin at 7:00 P.M., and most car owners will find that well over 90% of the available "FREE" parking space in the vicinity of the school is already taken up long before class time. It serves little purpose to drive downtown if you are required to walk over half the distance you travel because of lack of parking facilities.

Within a few minutes walk from the school, we find many large parking lots that are ordinarily deserted during the evening. These black surfaced parking havens could be put to work for the benefit of all. Most students resent paying full parking fares in lots that would be nearly empty if it were not for the students. Free parking would be the ideal thing.

## Elmer Howes Allen Serving as Registrar

Our new registrar Mr. Elmer Howes Allen, comes to Northeastern University well qualified for his assignment.

After graduating from South Hadley High School in 1931, he continued his studies at the University of Massachusetts. He found time to participate in varsity football and basketball as well as in the Student Senate in his senior year. Mr. Allen completed his undergraduate work in 1936 and received his Master's Degree in 1945.

His experience in the field of education includes teaching at the Weeks School, Vergennes, Vermont; Leake and Watts Home School, Tivoli, New York; Montgomery Junior High School, Montgomery, Vermont; and Dighton High School, Dighton, Massachusetts. He participated in the Naval V-5 and V-12 program as an instructor at Williams College. He has served as principal and instructor at the Kent School, Kent, Connecticut, and most recently taught physics and mathematics at Springfield College.

The dynamic Mr. Allen has an active interest in community affairs. He is a member of the church choir and the Men's Club of Trinity Church. He is a past-president of the Parent-Teacher Association at Brookings School.

A native of South Hadley, Mr. Allen is the son-in-law of Mr. Hutchinson, the well-known instructor who taught here at Northeastern for twenty-five years.

## New Books Added to College Library

For the convenience of the students doing Business Readings 1 and 2, several new books have been added to the school library this year.

Miss Dekalaxoff has been selected as the new librarian to share duties with John Bly. An employee of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company filing department during the day, she, alternating with Mr. Bly, will man the library every school night and Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

The list of new books is as follows:

The Art of Leadership, Tead, 5 copies; Personnel Relations, Walters, 2 copies; Practical Public Relations, Harlow and Black, 2 copies; Handling Personality Adjustment in Industry, McMurry, 5 copies; Management and Morale, Roethlisberger, 3 copies; Technique of Executive Control, Schell, 3 copies; American Labor, Harris, 5 copies; When Labor Organizes, Brooks, 5 copies; Operation Analysis, Maynard and Stegemerton, 1 copy; Personnel Administration, Tead and Metcalf, 5 copies; Middle Management, Niles, 1 copy; and How to Organize and Manage a Small Business, Black, 2 copies.



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ships and student aid is also contained in the booklet. The examination and attendance requirements are presented in a section appropriately titled.

"Blood, Sweat and Tears."

The student's attention is directed to the facilities of both the Springfield City Library and our own Northeastern Library.

The social activities of Northeastern are introduced with information concerning membership in the two fraternities, the sorority and the outdoor club.

A new feature in this year's handbook is a section concerning business and professional groups whose programs and activities are of interest and value to all Northeastern students.

## Carl Glans Heads New Student Council

Glans, Wing, Lachman and Rossi are the newly elected officers of the Student Council for the coming school year 1950-51.

The following are duly elected members:

President ..... Carl E. Glans, '51  
Vice-President ... Curtis Wing, '52  
Treasurer ..... Walter L. Lachman ....  
Secretary ..... Lena J. Rossi, '54 ....  
George B. Brooks, '53  
John S. Butler, '52  
John M. Campbell, '55  
Russell C. Cope, '53  
Leo J. Foy, '51  
John J. Garvey, '53  
Joseph W. Hurley, '52  
Frank P. Ittner, '55  
Edward T. Kennedy, '51  
A. A. LaRiviere, '51  
Francis R. Marshall, '53  
Ralph A. Peat, '54  
Rose M. Riskalla, '52  
William J. Rosner '55

The 1950-51 Council is now operating under a newly revised set of by-laws prepared last Spring by a committee under the chairmanship of Curtis Wing '52.

Permanent appointments for the year made by the council include George Brooks '53, publicity; and Rose Riskalla '52, editor of "Nor'easter".

The Student Council has done much for the school in the past. It acts as the middleman between the administration of the University and the students in problems that may arise. This group is the sponsoring factor in various social and intellectual affairs throughout the year; such as the Annual Spring Dance and the after-school lecture series.

Curtis Wing '52 became the proud papa of 7 1/4 lb. Douglas Warren on July 26. The Wings have two boys to help papa with the homework...

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ceived the Junior award donated by Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity; Sophomore, Lena Rossi, donated by Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity; Lower Middler, Donald Smith, given by Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

In addition to the honor graduates, the following received diplomas:

Albert Dudzik, Jr., Samuel Goodenough, Heinz Shebow, Frances Taylor, Mario Archobello, Alphe Duby, George Lacaske, Eloi Joseph Laramée, Elizabeth Sullivan, John Naniarz, Albert Gottlieb Baer, Edward Bidwell, Frank Dlugos, Michael Gonzales, William Hopper, Walter Kwapien, Angelo Lacivita, Harold Pansch, Vincent Pulvirenti, Martin Sawa, Edwin Schroeder, and Nicholas Sophinos.

Dr. Noble's talk included advice to feel responsibility and not to take things for granted—love, education, or war. When one reaches a stopping point, one will coast. "The only way you can coast in this universe is downhill. Progress comes through uphill struggles against resistance." He pointed out the importance of a sense of humor in solving social, economic, and political problems. He stressed that change is necessary for progress and steady evolution. The cessation of change in terms of human understanding would mean the end of living.

Henry Downey, who spoke on "The Tax Outlook," said that taxes are the chief contribution to the support of the government and that increased government costs are here to stay. He suggested however, that taxes should be charged on interest from federal and state securities, that business should be allowed to adjust losses against five year's income, that double taxation on stock be removed, and that Revenue Agents' responsibility for enforcement of the Internal Revenue Law be increased in order to make the tax laws more fair. He sees no end to high taxation "through our lifetime."

Thomas Guiheen, speaking on "The Moral Basis of Democracy," said that democracy is only as strong or as weak as the majority of the people are strong or weak. Freedom, justice, and a developed sense of moral responsibility constitute the American way of life. The good, the true, and the beautiful form the foundation of our social structure, upon which scientific changes take place. The paramount and indispensable factors of our way of life are the moral values. A nation commits suicide when the individual fails to apply these moral values to all decisions and acts. To know the news is not enough—to act upon it is a more precious gift.

Malcolm Matheson, pastor of the First Congregational Church, West Springfield pronounced the invocation. Robert Richardson Emerson, chairman of the board of governors, presided;

## Class Presents Bond Toward New Building

The Class of 1950 presented Northeastern University with a \$100 Savings Bond June 5, 1950 at Toto's Restaurant during class day activities. Class President Thomas Guiheen introduced Martin Sawa, Chairman of the Class Gift Committee who presented Mr. Churchill with the War Bond, on behalf of the members of the graduating class.

Although the patriotic angle of purchasing the bond was considered, Chairman Sawa pointed out that this was not the prime motive in the selection. Members of the gift committee heard of the plans of Springfield Northeastern University to accumulate a building fund. A Savings Bond was their contribution to the fund.

Mr. Churchill, in accepting the gift, thanked the class for their interest in Northeastern's Building Plans. He expressed his wish that graduates would follow the example of alumni of other colleges in giving money to Northeastern during the life or including the school in their wills. The goal of the school can then be realized. The action of the Class of 1950 has set a precedent well worth consideration of the future graduating classes.

## Five Awarded "N" at Spring Dance

The annual presentation of the "N" Award was made at the Spring Dance on April 22, 1950 to Carl E. Glans, '51; Raymond A. Robillard, '52, Elizabeth A. Sullivan, '50; Edward T. Kennedy, '51; and William A. Hopper, '50.

Each year the "N" is awarded by a committee appointed by the Student Council to the student or students who have added morale, prestige, and goodwill to Northeastern University in the way of extra-curricular activities. The "N" is usually presented to juniors and seniors since they are the ones who are most active in school functions. A limitation of five awards each year has been set by the Student Council.

The traditional "N" Award was originated in 1940 and was presented in that year to Harley B. Goodrich, B. C. S. 1927 and L. L. B. 1942. Mr. Goodrich is at the present time the Secretary of the Board of Governors of the Springfield Division and lifetime Secretary of the Class of 1927. Since 1940 the "N" has been awarded annually to deserving students on a non-scholastic basis.

and James Edward Christian of the Class of 1930 marshaled.

Organist Marjorie Johnston MacComb, violinist Naomi Trombley, and cellist Flora Coras Kinsey, played for the event.

Commencement week had begun on

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Louis J. Girard, Carl E. Glans, Stanley A. Glista, William A. Goldberg, Lawrence S. Gormally, Philip J. Grace, James L. Hanchett, Jr., Thomas V. Hines, Joseph W. Hurley, Frank P. Ittner, Stuart E. Jacobs, Willard H. Judd, Martin P. Judge, Edward T. Kennedy, Richard M. Klein John S. Kowal, Stephen E. Kuras.

Edward J. La Belle, Walter L. Lachman, Edward F. Landa, Alfred F. Lapan, Alfred A. LaRiviere, Richard M. Linton, Albert J. Lizza, Andrew J. Lopardo, Allan R. Lowry, William G. McCracken, George G. McGurk, William H. McNiff, T. K. Macko, A. J. Malinoski, L. J. Malinoski, V. J. Mastronardi, C. J. Mathieu, S. C. Mazzaferro, Fred S. Metcalfe, A. R. Meyer, R. Meyers, J. A. Milner, D. R. Moore, F. E. Moquin, M. J. Moran, Alfred L. Mutti, Walter I. Niemczyk.

Jerome J. O'Connor, Robert M. O'Connor, Thomas J. O'Connor, Walter F. Olechna, Philip O'Masta, John J. O'Neill, Charles F. Packard, Charles E. Paradzick, Donald H. Peirce, Leonard A. Bellerin, Roland F. Person, Roland K. Peterson, Victor J. Petrolati, Raymond E. Phaneuf, Walter Pilpel, Forrest S. Pooler, Edward F. Raval, Joseph A. Reilly, Thomas F. Reilly, Charles E. Rheume, Rose M. Riskalla, Elbert F. Robbins, Sumner W. Robbins, A. S. Rodgers, William J. Rosner, Lena J. Rossi.

Rudolph F. Santowski, Anthony P. Schmid, George F. Seymour, Thomas J. Shea, James Sheehy, J. D. Shonak, Francis M. Skorka, Donald R. Smith, Roland A. Swanson, Frank B. Szalowski, Michael Szwed, Francis L. Theroux, Norman G. Totten, Herbert C. Ward, R. L. Wareham, Eugene S. Weaver, Lois Weissback, Gordon H. Weymouth, Edward C. White, George H. Whitney, Curtis C. Wing, Frederick J. Winterle, Albert G. Wolff, Albert N. Yenian and Aldo P. Zarlengo.

## DIRECTOR CHURCHILL

Director John Churchill has been appointed a member of the objectives committee of Civitan International, according to an announcement received locally from International President, R. Kelvin Shivers. The duty of the international committee is to study proposed objectives thoroughly and to recommend for adoption those which will best promote the Civitan motto, "Builders of Good Citizenship." Mr. Churchill is a charter member and a past president of the local Club.

Messrs. Baitler and Triouleyre attended the N. A. C. A. Conference held at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York City.

June 3 with baccalaureate services at Faith Church and closed with the class banquet at Toto's Restaurant, Smith's Ferry.



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## Credit Manager Gives Class Talk

Mr. Cantwell's Wednesday night class in credits and collections was fortunate in having a fine guest lecturer on Wednesday, October 18, in Room A8-9. Mr. William Cawley, credit manager of the General Ice Cream Co. spoke to the class on the subject of retail credit.

Speaking from his experience at Steiger's and at the local Credit Bureau, he discussed the subject in detail and answered numerous questions from the students.

Beginning with evaluation of the credit application, he elaborated into the Three C's of Credit-Capital, Character, and Capacity. He emphasized the importance of faith in the customer when asking the question, "Will the customer pay the bill when it comes due?". The credit agencies and the local Credit Bureau are an asset to the credit department which he feels "carries the store on its shoulders because of the increased percentage of credit sales". He stated, "The credit man or woman is no longer a glorified bookkeeper." He based today's prosperity almost entirely on the modern idea of credit.

In concluding, he stated that Springfield has one of the highest rates of return on credit sales in the country because of the work of the Credit Bureau, the credit departments, and the cooperation among local merchants.

## Wright Heads Local Ski Club

The new president of the Springfield Ski Club is an N. U. man, Corliss Wright. A fourth-year student here, he has been very active in the Ski Club for the past 14 years. The position of president is one of honor and of work, too; for the Springfield club, with a membership of over 1300, is one of the largest in the country. More power to a fellow who can make studying and skiing mix!

Richard C. Syrett '52, has been called to active duty with the U. S. Army. A veteran of World War II, Dick was employed by the Springfield National Bank as head bookkeeper and was in the inactive reserve since his discharge in 1946.

## Happy New Year!

Just as the clock is about to strike twelve and usher in another year, there seems to be a moment of awe mingled with regret, joy, happiness and uncertainty, all emotions mixed up together. In that short moment last year's activities seem to parade themselves mentally before us. The flashback is so swift but every detail seems to be vividly recalled as if it occurred but yesterday. We see 1950 ebbing away and somehow feel a little sad at its going. It is as if a part of our life is leaving with it.

The clock strikes twelve. 1951 is here. What a glorious feeling! We forget the previous minutes indulged in sadness and instead are exhilarated by the wondrous joy of a New Year. What a lovely feeling! Maybe it holds a promise of fulfillment of our dreams and desires. Maybe it will be a more successful year with more of the pleasures and less of the sadness.

Even though war clouds are darkening the dawn of the New Year, we are oblivious to them and see instead a year bright with hopes, desires and wants fulfilled.

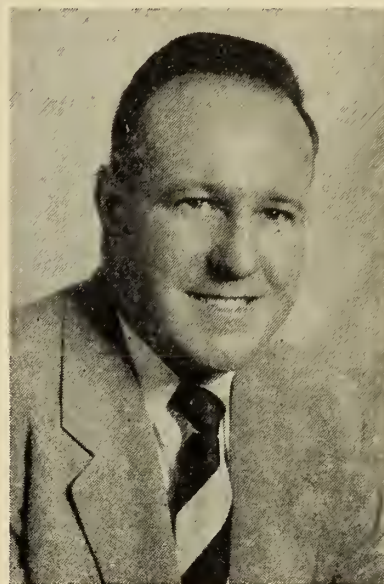
1951 holds out a promise of a bright future to those who see it so. It is the start of another half century. There is a mysterious feeling of an unexplainable awe to think we are at the magic threshold of the half century mark. Perhaps it will have more luck in store for us.

When we look upon its decline at the start of 1952 perhaps we will not feel so sad at its leaving us but remember it as the start of a most glorious half century. Happy New Year 1951.

## Sorority Holds Christmas Party

The girls of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority drove out to Connecticut on Sunday, December 17 to the Silhouette, where they held the annual Christmas Party this year. While most of the girls preferred the steak or turkey on the menu, all had an enjoyable dinner, after which gifts were exchanged. A pleasant social hour followed.

During the month of January, the group is planning a fund-raising campaign primarily for the benefit of the sorority scholarship fund. They will be calling on all of you boys to support a very worthwhile cause.



Herbert Pace, President of the Class of 1951

## Kappa Hears Jones on "Funny Money"

The Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity held its first meeting of the fall at the Hotel Sheraton on November 25, 1950. The bad weather of the day kept a few of the boys from attending, but the ones that did attend enjoyed an excellent meal and after-dinner activities. The speaker, Mr. Edward Jones, noted tax expert, spoke on the subject, "Funny Money". The talk centered around the monetary system and the changes from 1800 to the present time. Later in the program, Dawson Rochford and Francis Johnson were made members of the fraternity.

The annual Christmas party for members and their guests was held at the Captain Leonard House. Music was provided by Maurice Lombardo and his band; refreshments were served. Santa Claus distributed the gifts.

Members should keep in mind January 20, Old Timers' Night, the first meeting of the New Year.

Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity extends Season's Greetings to all.

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES CLUB

As only two members showed up for the hike to Mt. Tom Reservation Sunday, December 3, the hike originally scheduled was called off.

Editor's note: It was too bad that both of the members were girls . . .

## Pace, Foy, Dubuzesk, Meyers '51 Leaders

The Class of 1951 has elected Herbert A. Pace, president; Leo Foy, vice president; Ray Meyers, treasurer; and Barbara Dubuzesk, secretary. These students will be life-time officers.

Herb Pace is well known at Northeastern. Last year he served as president of the Student Council. He's a certified public accountant, on the staff of Scovell, Wellington, and Company, and is a member of N. A. C. A., A. L. A., and the Mass. Society of C. P. A.'s.

The class voted the president the power to appoint the various class committees as the need arises and that the officers serve on each. The first committee was chosen to investigate the possibility of publishing a yearbook, with special consideration to the type and the cost. Charles Griffin, Warren Smith, and William Donovan are handling this matter.

Twenty members of the senior class shall constitute a quorum at a general meeting. Notices for each meeting shall be mailed a week in advance.

Curtis Wing, vice president of the Student Council handled the organization.

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## Epsilon Dance Well Attended

Approximately seventy fraternal brothers, guests, and alumni members attended the Epsilon Phi Sigma Christmas Party held at Blake's on December 9, 1950.

To the music of Fred Falvo, the group danced and enjoyed the refreshments served in a hall decorated for the holiday season. Alumni present included Thomas Moriarty and Benjamin Astley.

Door prizes were awarded at the party, planned by Fran Chunglo, of the entertainment committee.

Epsilon Phi Sigma is planning a Valentine Dance during February.

The newest members of the organization are Robert Allard, Glenn Engel, Jr., Edward Labelle, Albert Lizza, Ronald Lussier, William O'Neil, Michael Szwed, Joseph Trojanowski, William Weisel, Arthur Atkins, Edward Kennedy, and Edward Mulvey.



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## Final Examination

We all know that we must pass a final examination before we can get credit for most courses at Northeastern. Since very few people enjoy taking examinations, this has always been a subject for gripes. We are all looking forward to the day when this old fashioned idea will be abandoned. However, it would be foolish to expect such a great step to be taken in the near future. Since we must take exams, I have a suggestion which should eliminate some of the gripes.

Under the present system of examination the student never sees the results of the final. He must judge his mark on the examination by his final grade in the course. In special cases the student may learn more about the results of the examination by making a special request at the office. If examinations must be used I believe they should be used as a teaching tool. The schedule should be arranged so the last class would fall after the final examination. At the class the examinations could be returned to the students and the answers discussed. This is the only way that students can benefit by final examinations.

## The Drinks are on the House

The refreshment that a common, simple beverage can bring is well appreciated by many students who stand in line each night at eight o'clock for a few drops of thirst-quenching water.

"A few drops" of water is no exaggeration. How often we've patiently waited for the water to rise slightly above the top of the spout so as to be able to catch a sip. More than once the writer, remembering the rules of sanitation, has gone without his drink, rather than put his lips directly upon the porcelain fixture.

Sometimes we do succeed in getting our drink — a warm trickle of stuff that is a treatment instead of a treat. On the other hand, there are those unique occasions when we are subject to a sort of surprise bath at an inconvenient time, depending on the feelings of the water bubbler.

Waiting for these adjustments in the height of the outcoming water takes time, too. Then, some of the students never get to the bubbler!

Northeastern needs more modern, efficient water coolers. Their cost, if any is involved to the school itself, would be offset by added attractiveness to the school area, convenience and practicability to students and faculty, and a rise in the morale of everyone.

The Student Council has enlisted the aid of the administration in helping to solve the problem. Their success will be hopefully awaited by the entire student body.

## Business vs Liberal Education

Dean Everett Clark of the Massachusetts Department of Education, Division of University Extension recently issued a newsletter to students wherein he presented some valuable thoughts on a subject which should be of especial value to Northeastern students, particularly those who feel that all one's time at school should be utilized in learning the so called "bread and butter" subjects.

Because of its value, we are reprinting part of that newsletter.

"What would you say are the 'musts' of a mature education to prepare you for effective living in modern times? In answer to this question, we would like to present a six-point program worked out by Dr. Robert W. McEwen, President of Hamilton College, and Dr. Boyd C. Patterson, President of Washington and Jefferson College. Aided by distinguished advisers, they studied the problem for five years before reaching their conclusions. We take the liberty of presenting their recommendation to you with some interpolations of our own.

"1. Know your English language; know how to read, write, and speak it effectively and accurately. With this, no one will care to quarrel. The better our English, the richer our lives and the better our chances, incidentally, of getting a good job.

"2. Know one foreign language. In a shrinking world to know at least one of our neighbor's languages seems a very sensible idea.

"3. Understand the nature of reasoning. If we will take the trouble to learn the rules that make for sound reasoning, our own opinions will take on clarity and weight.

"4. Acquire the ability to enjoy and understand the creative arts. Note the phrase, ability to enjoy. We must work to enjoy the best things in life; riches like that do not just fall into our laps.



## The Soap Box

Hear ye! Hear ye! The Nor'Easter "Soapbox," a column of student opinion has been put together for all of you to get up and expound those theories and ideas you've been thinking about, especially those pertaining to school life.

We're grateful to William Blodgett of Classical High for the clever art work.

OK folks, the line forms to the right — Step right up!

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The course on Business Reports and Conferences should follow the one on Public Speaking. As it now stands, Business Reports and Conferences, a course in preparation for Readings I and II, is given during the first semester of the upper middle year. In this course students must speak at least twice on a problem of their own choice.

Following this course, during the second semester, Public Speaking is taught. In this course, students study the fundamentals of effective speech presentation. Good posture, movements, and delivery are practiced.

Why not have Business Reports and Conferences follow Public Speaking? During the first semester, students can acquire good speech-making habits in Public Speaking. With Business Reports and Conferences given in the second semester, these pupils can further practice good habits in presenting a talk.

Another good reason for teaching Business Reports and Conferences dur-

ing the second semester is that on completion of this course students can carry on immediately with Readings I during the vacation period. All fundamentals in writing a report are still fresh in the students' minds. Therefore, they could do a much better job in preparing their book reports. Probably, more students would have their Readings I done on schedule. As it is now too many students are late with their Reading I and II.

The fundamentals are easily forgotten after several months, and it's difficult to get started again.

A poll would no doubt show that a large majority of the students would prefer to have Business Reports and Conferences during the second semester.

For better book reports and their presentation on schedule, and for furthering student practice in public speaking, let's have Business Reports and Conferences during the second semester and Public Speaking during the first semester.

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Last year students in the rear of one of the classrooms received more than their money's worth. In addition to learning their subject, they became acquainted with the financial conditions of some organization that met in the room next door.

Just what was going on in the room next door was not always too clear. At times it sounded like a club meeting which had got out of hand, then, again, it sounded more like a forum that was being conducted without a chairman. Whatever it was, this steady, foreign activity of the group that met in the room next door was very disturbing to the students in the back of the room.

A student must concentrate in order to get the most out of what is being said and what is being done in class.

Concentration requires close mental application or exclusive attention. Outside distractions divert attention and break up concentration. The noisy enthusiasm of the group in the adjoining room made it very hard for students in the rear to follow the class at all times.

Use of the room next door should be for a more peaceful purpose or the room should be left vacant.

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"Are they very strict at your college?"

"Strict? You remember Jonesey? Well, he died in class, and they propped him up until the lecture ended."

"5. Know the inter-relations of yourself as an individual and the society in which you live. In other words, learn that there is no such thing as individual freedom without responsible teamwork.

"6. Know the bases of moral judgments. This in plain terms means: Learn to distinguish right from wrong, good from evil, truth from falsehood, and beauty from ugliness. In brief, learn what makes man civilized."

This program has little to do with the earning of dollars and cents. It has much to do with rewards immeasurable — the enrichment of life, life in the kind of a world in which the earning of a livelihood becomes enjoyable.



## Make-Up Sessions Have Competition

Twas the night before Christmas  
And all thru the house,—  
or so the bit of verse goes on to explain to the countless thousands who have enjoyed it. There is no such stillness in the halls at Northeastern, for here we find small groups gathered for the prime purpose of making up a session lost somewhere along the trail of classes that have just passed.

The groups are rather noisy and full of good cheer anticipating what is ahead when class lets out. Suddenly from out of the blue comes the ominous clang of the class bell which heralds the beginning of a two hour session.

Attendance is taken and the instructor begins the evening's discussion by relating to the class some humorous incident which occurred during the day. Everyone is in exceptionally fine spirits. From this point we proceed to a discussion of the relative merits of maintaining a Free Surplus or a Surplus that might be cluttered with a variety of items. All is flowing smoothly and the instructor continues with his lecture fully confident that "all hands" are absorbing all that is being said. The students on the other hand are all present only insofar as bodily representation is concerned.

John in the back row is wondering about how early his mother-in-law will be over in the morning to "comment" on the expenditures he has made for the children's toys. Wait until she sees the train for little John! Bob in the front row is thinking of surplus but not in terms of surplus as referred to by the instructor. He is only concerned in having a surplus of funds to buy that new fishing rod he has been waiting for. Jason, staring out of the window, is worried about what Aunt Miranda has sent this year. Goodness only knows the attic is so full of vases now that a body can't move. It is more blessed to give than to receive he is thinking, so why not pass them on to some distant kin. On the other hand, I guess not, we might want to visit them someday. Trees, gifts, snow, Christmas carols, surprise packages, anything but balance sheet surplus are part of the reverie of each student.

The clock on the wall has not been subject to idle dreaming and has ticked away the minutes so that an hour and a half has passed. The instructor has reached the end of his planned discussion and he feels that the class should participate for the remaining half hour. After a few unsuccessful attempts, he bids the class good night with a hearty "Merry Christmas to All" and knows down deep that he should have stayed home and helped the wife decorate the Christmas tree, for this was hardly the time for "Balance Sheet Surplus."



Absorbed N. U.'s "Thinking" Hard as They Listen to I. B. M. Talk

Members of the class in Constructive Accounting, taught by Mr. Frank O. Isham, transferred their classroom to the International Business Machines Co. office on State Street on the evening of October 26. There, Mr. J. M. Ruddeforth, local manager, introduced the students to the I. B. M. Co. and its products. Mr. John J. Cooper, demonstrated the uses of various machines; and Mr. Harry Crowe, sales representative, answered some questions.

Mr. Ruddeforth briefly traced the history of I. B. M., the electric typewriters, tabulating, calculating, and computing machines. He also described the newest industrial time clocks.

Beginning with the electric card

punching machine, Mr. Cooper explained the origin of the punched card at the source of information. He then demonstrated the sorter which sorts cards into any desired classification and the collator, which enables IBM cards with alphabetical information as well as numerical information to be merged, filed, or selected automatically with speed and accuracy. He also demonstrated the reproducing punch which senses pencil marks and transcribes them into a punched hole, duplicates punched hole data into other cards, compares, and summary punches.

The piece of machinery which proved most interesting of all was the electric punched card accounting machine.

Set up to give a capacity performance, the machine impressed most of the on-lookers. On the form which was automatically fed out, information compiled from the cards was printed. Mr. Cooper explained that invoices, payroll records, inventory records, sales analyses, production records, and other forms can be completed by the machine. For small firms, he recommended the use of the Service Bureau which handles the customer's work on the premises of the I. B. M. Company so as to eliminate installation costs of equipment.

The organization presented each person with a note pad marked with its motto, "Think".

## Organizations Open to Student Members

Many professional and business organizations have extended NU students an invitation to attend their meetings either as guests or as junior members. These offers have been made to assist students in keeping abreast of developments in their vocational and academic fields.

The following organizations are among those offering such affiliations:

**The National Association of Cost Accountants** — Any student of accounting may become a junior member of this association. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the Hotel Sheraton. At each meeting a prominent speaker discusses some important accounting or management problem. All members receive the NACA monthly bulletin which contains a wealth of information on industrial accounting. Membership application blanks may be obtained from the registrar. A Junior Membership costs \$10.00 annually.

**Engineering Society of Western Massachusetts** — Northeastern students, under twenty-five years of age, may become Junior Members of this society for a fee of \$3.00 and annual dues of \$3.00. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month

at the Hotel Sheraton. Students, even though they are not members, will be welcomed at these monthly meetings. Notices of this Society's meetings will be posted on the bulletin board.

**The Purchasing Agents Association** — This organization meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Hotel Sheraton. The regular meeting starts at 7:30 P. M. with a guest speaker on some timely subject. At some meetings, instead of having a speaker an educational film is shown.

**Connecticut Valley Section American Society of Refrigeration Engineers** — Students interested in refrigerating engineering may obtain student membership application blanks from Mr. Kapinos. Should a student be interested in attending only a few meetings of this organization, rather than becoming a regular member, he may do so. Each month meeting notices will be posted on the bulletin board.

**Industrial Relations Association of Western Massachusetts** — Northeastern Students are invited to attend any meeting of this organization at which there is to be an outside speaker. Notices of these meetings will be posted on the bulletin board.

**National Office Management Association** — This organization has arranged to mail notices of all their

meetings to our school. Any student who finds that he is particularly interested in attending any of these meetings may contact Mr. Paul E. Atkinson of the Springfield Gas Light Company and make a reservation. NOMA is also sending a copy of their national magazine, The Forum, to our school library.

These offers of junior memberships were obtained for NU students by the Student Council. Students are urged to take advantage of them if at all possible.

A graduate of the Bentley School of Accounting, Sam Mazzaferro has enrolled at Northeastern in order to receive the B. B. A. degree. He has passed the accounting theory and law phases of the certified public accounting examination and plans to take the problems and auditing portions in the near future.

A vacation in sunny California is just a dream for most people, but it became a reality for Rose Mercure '52 this past summer. While there, Rose took some lovely colored slides and snapshots which she will cherish for some time to come. She crossed the country by plane.



## Pledgling Finds Out About Fraternities

Ever since I was a kid in grammar school, I had dreamed of going to college; but colleges, with their ivy-covered walls, verdant campuses (campi at Harvard), and fraternal environment had always been just a reverie. Had been, that is, until Springfield Northeastern appeared on my horizon. Now I am not saying that Northeastern University compares, from an aesthetic standpoint, with the beautiful edifices of my dreams; but I find, strangely enough as I go through the grueling years, that its educational results compare favorably with those attained by the Ivy Colleges.

I did feel, however, that I was missing the campus atmosphere in my present quest for knowledge, so I decided to join one of the local fraternities as soon as I could afford the necessary time. Unfortunately, this did not happen until my senior year, but undaunted by the lateness of the date, I signed the pledge card, was accepted, and duly paddled — I am now a member.

My strange preconception of a fraternity — perhaps you shared it with me — was that of an exalted group, bonded together by some special characteristic, that allowed admittance to individuals who sympathized with the fraternity in specific ways. On the night of the formal ball, therefore, I sat amongst my fellow-pledglings and as I prepared to enter the mystic group, I tried to isolate that "special characteristic" that cemented me to my newly-found brothers of the select circle.

From the outward appearance of the group, I could discern nothing that would positively distinguish the members of my fraternity from the members of any other fraternity — or even from a cross section of the school's students. It must surely be something deeper, I thought, perhaps something to do with the political beliefs, or maybe the nationalities or religions of the individuals concerned. At any rate, I felt sure that the inevitable after-dinner speeches would reveal all.

The President whom I knew to be French (I had heard him sing several hundred choruses of *Alouette*), was the first to address the crowd. His remarks were brief, and served only to welcome my fellow-neophytes and myself into the organization. He didn't even ask us to vote for any Frenchman on the ballot of the coming week's election! Before re-assuming his position at the head-table, he introduced the President of the previous year, a rotund Italian, who, I felt sure, would at least mention the two sons of Italy that were campaigning for representative. but to my surprise he spoke even more concisely than the first speaker,

## Senior Class

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tion of the class. The preliminary steering committee which assisted him included Leo Foy, Alfred LaRiviere, Herbert Pace, Carl Glans, Walter Krol, and Victor Petrolati.

At a recent interview, the secretary of the class issued the following statement to *The Nor'Easter*:

"Now that the class has been organized, it is up to the members to take part in all the meetings, and to voice their likes and dislikes, not to leave everything up to the officers and then howl at graduation if things are not completely to their liking. Let's make our graduation democratic.

"The officers appreciate being elected, and they want to do whatever the members see fit, if the members will give the officers a slant on class ideas.

"Notices are being sent to all seniors a week ahead of the meeting. Do your part by being present. If you voice your likes and dislikes now, there will be no cries of dismay when graduation rolls around. Then, too, the work of the offices becomes unfairly heavy without the cooperation of everyone. Take part in discussions; volunteer to do what you can.

"The purpose of organizing early was to get acquainted and to get a head start on our class plans. This is our opportunity to make our graduation a cherished memory."

welcomed us in different words, and sat down. Then, in turn, were introduced a German Vice-President, a Negro Secretary, a Polish Treasurer, and a Czechoslovakian chairman of the initiation committee. Each told us how glad he was to have us in his organization, and with great sincerity held out his hand to us. Not one of the speakers mentioned, even remotely, politics or nationalities.

What then was the tie? Religion? Yes, I said to myself, that must be it; and my thoughts rambled back to my first contacts with this Fraternity. I recalled being approached and pledged by a Jew, steered through the initiation by a Protestant, sworn in by a Catholic. And none but an Atheist would hit a fellow-human that hard with a paddle, for fear of retribution in the after-world!

I suppose it's time to draw a conclusion; but what can I conclude? Only that EPSILON PHI SIGMA must be a fraternity of men bonded together in mutual friendship with an inherent affinity for Political, Racial, and Religious understanding and "The American way of doing things".

Beverly Jean is the name of John Kowal's new dependent who was born on December 14.

## Meterphobia

People have phobias for the strangest things. I would like to relate my phobia for a new strange gadget called the parking meter.

These gadgets, so called, were installed to aid the motorist to park his automobile with ease. They are supposed to provide the maximum of parking in the minimum of parking area.

My first experience with parking meters was on a busy Saturday when I had to make a short stop downstreet. Driving downstreet I said to myself, "I should be able to find a parking spot for myself with ease." After cruising around I came to a vacant spot. This was it, but on closer observation I found it was restricted between 4 and 6 p. m. Not being dismayed, I travelled around the block and found another spot. I expertly parked the car, turned the motor off, put the brake on, locked it and got out. My next step was to find the meter-box, which I did, and it read "Parking — 30 minutes — 5 cents." Wonderful, so I thought, until I dug in my pocket for the nickel. I examined each pocket for change and to be sure I had pennies, dimes, quarters, halves, and a silver dollar, but not one nickel.

Naturally, all this time I was looking for the nickel, the meter read void. What was I to do? Maybe I could use five pennies, but the meter read one nickel. I stopped a few strangers inquiring if by chance they had a nickel for five pennies, but as fate had it not one did. Not wanting to risk the chance of receiving a ticket, I decided to get in the car and drive to an area where my pennies could be used.

That should be the end of the story, but it didn't end until a few days later when I received a polite note from the police for over-parking.

The morale of this story is: Always have plenty of the right kind of change for these parking meters, or take the bus.

### ODE IN DEFENSE OF WOMEN DRIVERS

Feminine drivers  
You say lack sense?  
Masculine drivers  
Are just as dense!

She: "Whenever I'm in the dumps, I get a new hat."

He: "I was wondering where you got them."

An Eastern professor visiting a Western college was impressed by the beautiful buildings, the miles of velvet lawns, the athletic fields. "Wonderful," he said to his guide. "And just how many students do you have here?" "Let's see", the guide answered thoughtfully, "I'd say about one in a hundred."

## News of Past and Present N. U. 'S.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. LaRiviere are the proud parents of a 9 lb. baby boy born at the Ludlow Hospital on October 3. The new member of the family has been named Alfred, Jr. He will share his Dad's attention with his older sister, Karen, who is four. Al, a member of the class of '51 is president of Epsilon Phi Sigma here at N. U. At the Chapman Valve, he's on the negotiating committee of Local 278, C. I. O., I. U. E. Congratulations, Al!

One of the boys who had a lot of work on his hands as a result of the recent storm is Victor Petrolati. His list, a common one, included roof repairs, repairs to chimney, and re-setting and guying the television antennae.

Marion Premont '49 made a pilgrimage to Rome this summer with a Catholic Student Group. After having an audience with the Pope, the group visited the various churches and other places of interest not only in Rome but in other cities and countries as well.

At present Marion is attending Boston University Graduate School of Business, where she has an Assistantship.

Rose Mercure's engagement to Chester M. Paine of Los Angeles, California, was announced on Thanksgiving Day. The beautiful emerald cut diamond she is wearing vies with the sparkle in her eyes. Best wishes, Rose; we shall miss you when you leave to make your home in California.

The stork visited the Deschenes family recently. Clem became a papa for the third time on October 29. Clemet, Jr., Paul, and Peter Charles surely keep the Northeastern man busy! Dad is a member of the class of '52 here and works at the Package Machinery Company in the Time Study Department.

Joseph Kurley of the class of '55, business and engineering, is the proud father of a bouncing baby girl born on Sept. 26, 1950.

Walter Krol and family have moved from the well-known Quonset Hut project in Indian Orchard to a brand-new home on Burnside Terrace in East Forest Park. Good luck, Walt!

Thomas Guiheen '50 is taking courses in Education at Springfield College.

Al Mutti became the proud papa of a baby boy, Alfred Louis, Jr. on November 2.



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## Council Sponsors Dinner-Dance

Planning the biggest school affair of the year, the Student Council has booked the Hotel Highland Roman Room on Saturday night, March 24, for one of the largest crowds ever.

A filet mignon dinner will precede the awarding of the gold N's by Director Churchill to students who have rendered outstanding service to their school.

Dr. Vincent Malcolm of the Chapman Valve Mfg. Co. will address the group. He is one of the ten leading metallurgists in the country and has just returned from an extensive speaking tour.

Dancing to the musical notes of Al Acorn and his orchestra will follow until midnight.

Guests will be Director Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Chapin. Chairman for the evening will be Carl Glans '51.

Arrangements are under the direction of Curtis Wing '52, with the assistance of Alfred LaRiviere '51, handling printing and Walter Lachman '54, handling ticket sales.

Tickets may be purchased from any council member for \$1.50 each, \$3 per couple, nightly preceding the dance, by the bookstore.

## Commerce Grads Celebrate Fiftieth

The High School of Commerce, in commemoration of its Fiftieth Anniversary, will hold an all-alumni reunion at the school on April 21. Festivities will begin at three o'clock in the afternoon with an open house and will be followed with a smorgasbord in the cafeteria and dancing in the gyms.

Many of our Northeastern graduates and students will welcome this opportunity to renew old acquaintances. Mr. Stanley O. Smith, Vice-Chairman of the Northeastern Board of Governors and Principal of the High School of Commerce, with the executive committee of the Alumni Association, has designated this reunion as a fitting tribute to the fifty years of education the school has provided to thousands.

## Arctic Adventure

The cold biting winds of the wastelands swept down upon our modest little shelter causing everyone to shiver with the cold. Even the thermometer on the wall seemed to suffer as its blood quivered in its only artery and retreated toward the bulb below to seek added warmth.

Relief was forecast, but the brave little band could only feel their strength slowly ebbing away as the time passed and no relief seemed in sight.

The Angel of Mercy finally hovered overhead and the members of the Ac. 14 class were lead to restful quarters where heat finally thawed their poor aching bodies. B-4 annex was left deserted except for the poor thermometer which was completely forgotten in the mass evacuation.

We are happy to relate that all class members survived.

## Paul G. Brown '48 Receives Promotion

Paul G. Brown, a Northeastern graduate in Accounting in the Class of 1948, was elected treasurer of the G. & C. Merriam Co., internationally known dictionary publishing concern, at the annual meeting of the board of directors on February 14.

Mr. Brown, who started his work with the Merriam Co. in 1928, was appointed assistant treasurer in 1934 and succeeds as treasurer Mr. George C. Hennick, who has retired.

The new treasurer was born in Bethel, Vermont, attended high school in Plymouth, N. H., and was graduated from Bay Path Secretarial School in 1926.

Mr. Brown is past secretary and vice-president of the Agawam Lions Club and a member of Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity at Northeastern.

He resides with his wife and three children on Palmer Road, Monson.

## SENIORS MAY ORDER RINGS IN BOOKSTORE

All seniors who are interested in getting their class rings should see Mr. Chapin in the bookstore as soon as possible, so that they may be ordered promptly, all at once.

## Director Churchill Discusses Plans for Future of Springfield Northeastern

### Accountants Visit Register Company

Keeping up with the march of progress, the class in constructive accounting taught by Mr. Frank O. Isham, visited the offices of the National Cash Register Company recently.

On display there were several of the latest office machines including not only the familiar cash register, but an efficient payroll machine and several bookkeeping machines of various types.

The manager of the Springfield office, Mr. J. M. DeWolf, welcomed the group, briefly stated the history of the Company, and mentioned the various products for which they are well known.

Mr. Gregory Hansen explained the uses of the payroll machine and demonstrated proper procedures in payroll keeping. The various forms he used, namely: check register, payroll journal, pay statement, pay check or envelope and earnings record were distributed among the students for inspection. Totals are accumulated in the machine. He stated that the one-operation method would result in economies and that the machine is adaptable to other work besides payroll.

The most modern bookkeeping machine.  
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### Seven 'Scholars' Achieve Straight A's

There comes a time in the course of human events when the seemingly impossible is accomplished. The distinguished feat of attaining all A's (three, that is) for the first semester belongs to R. A. Peat '54, Engineering and Business, Edward Kennedy '51, Engineering and Business, Herbert A. Pace '51, Accounting, Rose Riskalla '52, Accounting, G. T. Moriarty '56, Accounting, and Michael Szwed '52, Management.

The best place to find a helping hand is at the end of your arm.

In an official statement released to The Nor'easter, Director John D. Churchill makes clear several pertinent issues in connection with recent public newspaper reports regarding the separation of Springfield Northeastern from Boston.

"The recent announcement in the public press of a special dispatch from Boston to the effect that the parent Northeastern had asked that its Springfield Division should terminate its organic academic relation with the University with the graduation of the current freshmen class came as a bit of a surprise, though not exactly as a shock.

"Springfield Northeastern has existed since 1919. Hundreds of its  
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## Thesis Accepted With Distinction

"Reorganization of the Accounting System and Office Procedures of Vanguard Corporation," a thesis by Herbert A. Pace '51, was accepted "With Distinction" by the University. A copy of this thesis is now in our school library and may be seen by any student who wishes. This thesis is of particular interest to those students of accounting who are taking "System Design and Installation," as it describes the examination and revision of an entire accounting system.

Every thesis submitted by Northeastern Students is examined by Associate Dean Miller and by two members of the staff of Boston Northeastern. In order to be accepted "with distinction" it is necessary that two of these three members mark it as such.

Herbert Pace is well known to the student body because of his services during the academic year 1949-50 as Student Council president. This year Herb is president of the senior class. In addition to his activities at Northeastern, Herb is a certified public accountant on the staff of Scovell, Wellington and Co. and is a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants.



# THE NOR'EASTER

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## Sh-h-h . . . . . Quiet, Please!

Webster defines the word library as "an institution for the custody, circulation, or administration of such a collection" (of books). Lately, it seems some folks have changed this meaning to "an institution for the circulation of verbiage."

Most students seek the peace and quiet of the library for the purpose of studying or occasionally typing. They seek a spot conducive to concentration, unaffected by the hustle, bustle, and the constant drone of chatter of the halls of Northeastern before and after classes.

Let's try to help each other, student-to-student, by co-operating in maintaining the rules of library etiquette, keeping talking to a minimum and in low tones when talking is necessary.

Let's keep our library the way it should be . . . . . a refuge where silence is respected because minds are at work.

## Among Our Souvenirs

"There's good news tonight . . . . ."

To hear that the senior class had finally decided on publishing a yearbook was encouraging news to those who feel that they are attending college, even though on an evening basis.

Sure, a yearbook is a lot of work; and sure, some people rarely look at it. But how many people examine every book in their bookcase as often as annually? The arguments against yearbooks are too soft for the majority of college students who feel that their yearbook is a picture story of some of the most important years of their lives. The people and the events they want to remember will become blurred as the years pass, but isn't it a wonderful feeling to be able to open the pages of a mere book and find them again almost as vivid as yesterday? It may be difficult to forget the effort and sacrifices made obtaining a degree; but it is easy to forget the pleasant associations, unless a permanent link is built to those memories.

The cost in time and money is large, it is true; but the rewarding satisfaction found in a well-planned, well-written, well-edited yearbook is satisfying to any college graduate.

Those who take pride in their achievements will co-operate in publishing a yearbook which they may be proud of.

It is not too early for the class of 1952 to put on its thinking cap on this topic.

## 'Six-Thirty' Club Informal Forum

Three nights a week at various times from 6:20 to 6:30 P. M. a certain group of Northeastern students slowly wind their way towards a classroom. It may seem very early to come to school for most students but this group has a reason for being rather early.

No, they aren't heading for the quiet corners of classrooms for study. Their mission is far more important than studying. It may cover anything from a local event to international headlines. You might say it was for the purpose of finding out how the other fellow feels about this or that.

Upon reaching the classroom of that particular night, these students drop their books on a desk and adjourn to the hallway. The first two there are enough to get the meeting underway. As more members arrive, the meeting grows with leaps and bounds. A time limit for tardiness has never been set and a member

may leave as he wishes. As unorganized as the group may seem, Emily Post could correct little in its proceedings.

The unofficial "630 Club" without officers or definite purpose, is as active as most clubs would like to be. Material results are never accomplished as this is not the understood purpose of the club. The members merely want to talk things over—home-work, sports, school activities, tests, local affairs, world events, and jokes. They all have something to learn from or add to what the other fellow has to say. The old time pot-bellied stove of the general store has been transplanted to the halls of Northeastern.

VALUE: "We ought not treat living creatures like shoes or household belongings, which when worn with use we throw away."

—Plutarch

"When you're through changing, you're through."

—Bruce Barton



## The Soap Box

To The Editor:

Commencement Day will soon be upon us and the graduating Seniors will receive the acclamation which is their due. But their achievement is not due solely to their efforts alone. The wives of many of these men have made a large contribution to their success. There must have been evenings when the effort to continue did not seem worth while and only the encouragement and patience of a wife could overcome the desire to quit.

Would it not be gratifying to the graduates if the school bestowed some acknowledgement to the wives in recognition of their sacrifices? Let the wives share the limelight with their husbands on Commencement Day.

'Ere long another class will be graduating. One of the problems facing the class of '51, as it does every graduating class, is the selection of a suitable gift to leave to the school. Year after year the choice of a gift seems to run in the same pattern. Invariably it is a plaque, a painting, or a statue. I feel that it is time for originality. The gift should be something that will help the school or that will help future classes. Plaques, paintings, and statues should not even be considered. The vacant eye simply glances over them without absorbing any significance or meaning.

My suggestion is to present to the school a motion picture projector. I believe this gift would be of value to future students. Business houses, manufacturing plants, etc. have many films available for student and school use free of charge or at a nominal rental fee which could come out of student funds or the school treasury. To keep the rental of films from being too expensive, a limit could be placed on the number of films to be rented during a given period. At any rate, the projector would be available for the education and the enjoyment of the student body.

Expensive? Yes, but the gift would

be worthwhile. If it be felt that the cost would be too great a fund could be started toward the future purchase and presentation of the projector as a gift. A future graduating class could add to or complete the fund and the projector could be a gift from the two classes.

Why not form several get acquainted clubs? These could be extremely helpful to students living in the same vicinity or to students coming in from other cities or even other states. It might be possible to economize on transportation — a friend indeed he might prove to be if the "bucket-of-bolts" breaks down.

There is also economy of brain power to be considered. Two heads are better than one, they say, especially when you're trying to figure out a tough problem. Too, there is usually one person or another who always has a hot tip on what part of a text to concentrate on for the next test. There is no end to the helpful benefits one may gain through casual acquaintance.

So fellas, why not inquire and look around for the boys who come from "down your way," introduce yourself, and talk things over. Who knows, any one of them might be just the plug to create a spark for new interest in the school, its curriculum and activities.

This country needs more politicians in the old sense of the word. Many years ago, a politician was considered a statesman. A statesman is a high minded person who works for the welfare of the state or government. Such a person strives for and supports measures and policies which he believes will benefit the people as a whole. With him, their welfare is foremost in his mind and actions. Party politics are secondary.

Today, a politician is no longer looked upon as a statesman. Politicians are more interested in party policies, such as getting their party into power and then to stay in power. Controversial matters, during the period before election, are dropped till after election. Getting re-elected seems to be more important to our politicians just now than important matters of government. The impression the average citizen gets is that today's politician is primarily interested in party politics first and government procedures and policies next.

We pride ourselves on living in a country that has made great strides since the eighteenth century. Today, this country is one of the leaders, if not the leader, of the world. To hold on to our leadership and set an example for the rest of the world to follow, our leaders must show more statesmanship in their administration of a government in which we dare to show pride.



## Carl Richards '52 Wins Display Prize

Carl J. Richards, display director at the McAuslan & Wakelin store in Holyoke, Mass., has been awarded second prize, a silver medal by "Display World", monthly trade digest for display men. The window display contest had a total of 2,567 entries from all over the world. His prize window was entered in the category "Introducing a New Product."

It is not the first award for Carl. In July, 1949, he was awarded first prize in a national luggage display contest sponsored by the Crown Luggage Co. His prize was four pieces of luggage.

Four months later he was awarded a \$100 cash prize in a national display contest sponsored by Lenthric Perfumers, for the best display in the New England region.

Two years ago, between homework and Northeastern, Carl found time to conduct a course in Principles of Display. It was held at the Holyoke Evening School of Distributive Education. The course in Business Reports and Conferences came in handy to him in formulating the course before having it approved by the Mass. Department of Education. He has high praise for that phase of his Northeastern education.

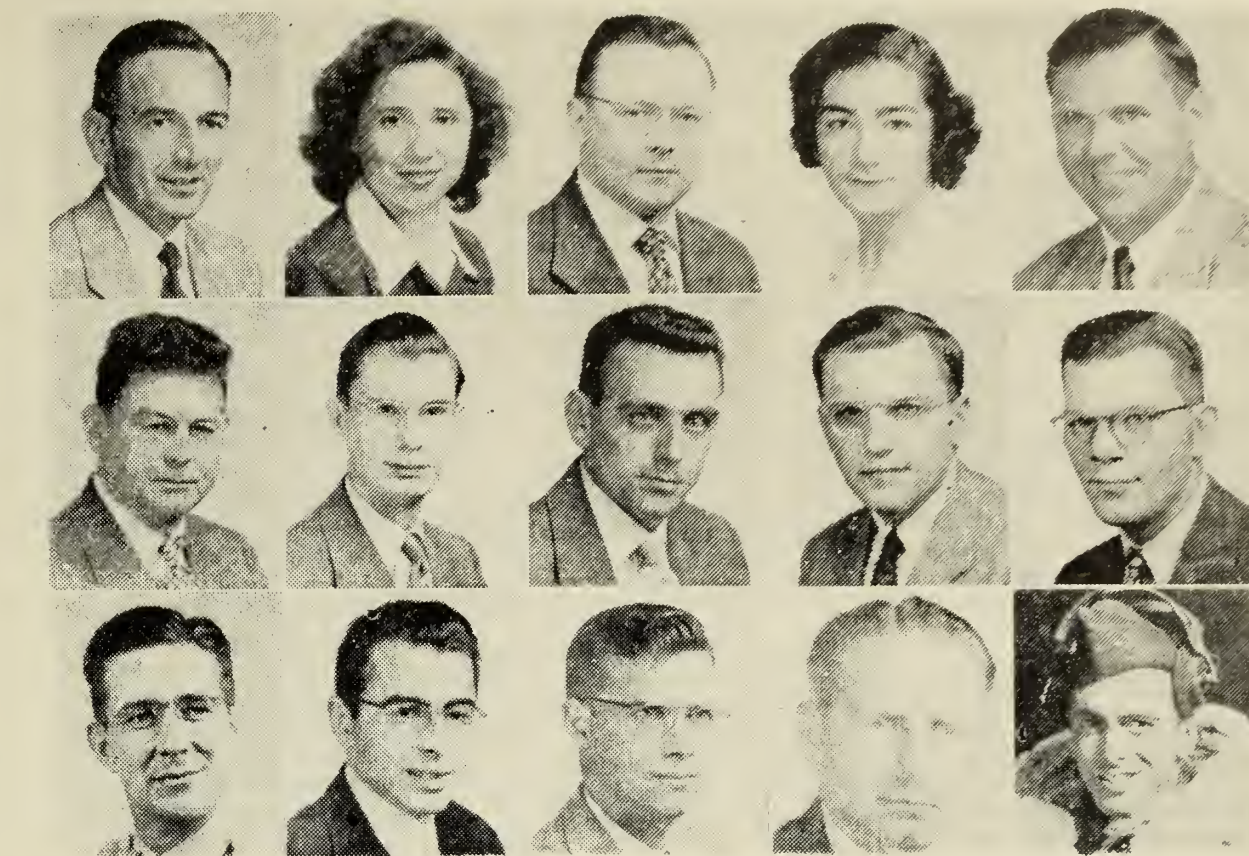
Mr. Richards entered the display field in 1939 as assistant display director and became display director in 1946. He had completed various display and advertising courses before entering Northeastern in 1946. His window display photos have appeared in the Luggage Journal, Display World, and White Sewing Machine Publications.

His services have also been enlisted by the Holyoke Red Cross. He has been named Chairman of Displays and has complete charge of directing displays in all the stores and at Red Cross Headquarters.

Mr. Richards is pursuing the management course, and is a member of the Class of '52. He's married and lives in South Hadley.

## School Placement Service Active

With the Korean War again causing a shortage of manpower in business and professional occupations as well as in industrial jobs, the school placement service is especially active in helping Northeastern students and alumni to find desirable positions. In the past months memos offering employment have covered a sizable portion of the bulletin board, and many students are keenly interested in the jobs available. Although unemployment among the students at the present time



## Know Your Council

Your student council arranges the two social functions of the school, the Harvest Dance and the Spring Dance. It provides for publication of *The Nor'easter*. At commencement, it assists both the administration of the university and the graduates. It welcomes freshmen into the student body each fall. It arranges the student council elections, acts as the liaison between the student body and the administration, and awards the traditional "N" pins. It is the duty of each member to represent the students. It is the duty of each student to seek out his representative when he has a problem which warrants council consideration.

**FRANK P. ITTNER, '55**, Accounting. Frank is a resident of Holyoke, and is employed at the Holyoke Water Power Co.

is very low, most students are always on the alert to better themselves and their position.

The school does not promise employment for any student but its placement service is always anxious to make sure that students know of available positions. Many of the alumni who are active in business circles make use of the placement service to fill vacancies in their business. Any student who is interested in making use of the service, either to find work or to find employees, is asked to contact Mr. Allen in the school office.

**LENA J. ROSSI, '54**, in Accounting. Lena is employed at Stacy Machine Works, Inc. She is an outstanding student, having been awarded the Sophomore scholarship for her excellent grades. She is secretary of the Student Council and is a member of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

**CURTIS C. WING, '52**, in Accounting. Called "Curt", he is employed as an accountant at the Western Massachusetts Electric Co. Curt is vice-president of the Council and belongs to Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity.

**ROSE RISKALLA, '52**, in Accounting. Miss Riskalla is employed in the accounting department at Package Machinery Company. Miss Riskalla is an outstanding student. She is the editor of *Nor'easter* and is a member of Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority.

**ALFRED A. LARIVIERE, '51**, in Accounting. "Al" is employed at Chapman Valve Mfg. Co. in the General Stores Department. "Al" is president of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity. He is a first lieutenant in the ORC.

**RUSSELL C. CAPE, '53**, in Engineering and Business. "Russ" is employed in the Engineering Department at Westinghouse.

**GEORGE B. BROOKS, '53**, in Management. George, who is Vice-president of the Springfield Retail Credit Association, is Assistant Credit Manager at Forbes & Wallace, Inc.

**FRANCIS R. MARSHALL, '53**, in Engineering and Business. Francis is employed as Assistant Production Manager at the Powers Paper Co.

**CARL GLANS, '51**, in Accounting. Carl is this year's Student Council President and last year's Treasurer. He is office manager of the Eastern Equipment Sales Co. and is a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants.

**J. S. BUTLER, '52**, in Engineering and Business. Mr. Butler is employed in the Engineering Department of Old Colony Envelope Co., Westfield.

**JOSEPH HURLEY, '52**, in Management. "Joe" is a resident of South Hadley Falls, Mass. At 31, he is the president of the Burwin Chemical System. "Joe" is a major in the Air Force Reserve and is anticipating recall to active duty soon.

**WALTER L. LACHMAN, '54**, in Management. Walter was born in Berlin, Germany, served with the British Army and UNRRA. He is an assistant buyer of Blake's Department Stores, Inc. He is a member of Epsilon Phi Sigma Fraternity and is treasurer of the Student Council.

**RALPH PEAT, '55**, in Engineering. Ralph is employed by the Strathmore Paper Company in the Mechanical Design section of the Engineering Dept.

**EDWARD T. KENNEDY, '51**, in Engineering. "Ed" is a resident of Westfield, and is employed as a superintendent at the Ludlow Mfg. Co.

**JOHN M. CAMPBELL, '55**, in Management. John is Director Churchill's son-in-law. He is employed by the Meadowbrook Creamery.

**LEO J. FOY, '51**, (no picture) in Engineering. Leo is employed at Chapman Valve Co. in Product Design.



## Director Discusses

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alumni have become very constructive citizens, not only in the western Massachusetts community but farther abroad. These men and women have had perhaps more than their share of rather eminent citizens. Its faculty, comprised of gentlemen of culture, character, and continuing experience day by day in fields closely related to their instruction, have been comparable to the best in any institution of higher learning and usually have made their work for students here a matter of long-time devotion. This Division has always been responsible for its own financial existence. Board and administration as well as faculty have been exponents of thorough and rigorous academic requirements in its fields of instruction.

"The announcement from Boston which made the front page of our local newspaper repeatedly dealt with a situation in which a child for a long time had been adequate to the demands of conducting its own establishment under its own name. The parent hoped that the new entity would continue its service in this region. It was the consensus of opinion of our governing board, and others with whom counsel was taken, that it could and should. On that basis it is in the process of taking steps to obtain a charter from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to assure the continuance upon its well-established standards of the service to students and their subsequent contribution to citizenship which have been evidenced in the lives of its alumni.

"The new name of our thirty-two year old institution will not be known until it is officially re-christened. The petition to the Board of Collegiate Authority of the Department of Education of the Commonwealth for the right to confer the same degrees which have been conferred in the past and for the actual incorporation under a new name through the Department of Corporations and Taxation are being handled by two men known to many an alumnus, and who are typical of the character, education, and experience in life of the faculty known to current undergraduates, men who served our alma mater well for some twenty years themselves as instructors. Charles R. Clason and Gerald J. Callahan.

"All undergraduates of the present time, as intimated above, who fulfill University requirements by June 1956 are permitted by the parent Northeastern to graduate under her aegis. The question frequently asked in recent weeks by present students as to whether they may not graduate under the new name, even though their

## EXCUSE, PLEASE

That Herb Pace can now drive on the same street as other motorists was not intended for front page news in the last issue of *The Nor'easter*. We intended to print that Herb belongs to A. I. A. (American Institute of Accountants) instead of A. L. A., but a little gremlin crept into the works.

work might be completed prior to 1956, cannot be answered with finality until after technical detail relative to our continued existence under that new name shall have been decided in connection with the petition for a charter. Factually, however, this much is certain now, that actual appraisal of what would be Northeastern credit toward a diploma under the so-called new institution would seem unquestionably to be material.

"The question of a University of Springfield which arose at the time of the recent newspaper reports, no matter how theoretically desirable, is obviously not imminent because of the difficulties incident to such an integration which would arise. This is the reason why our governing board, which includes such loyal and competent alumni as Robert R. Emerson '23, senior vice-president, Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Co., chairman; Stanley O. Smith '22, principal, High School of Commerce, vice-chairman; Earl H. Paine '27, treasurer, Springfield 5 Cents Savings Bank, treasurer; Harley B. Goodrich '27 & '42, counsel and maintenance engineer, Strathmore Paper Co., secretary; Irving C. Jacobs '26, vice-president, Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co.; Judge Donald M. Macaulay '24; George W. Rice, Jr. '22, treasurer city of Springfield; concurred unanimously in the decision a couple of months before the fact became public that it is necessary and our duty that the institution, which has been so largely autonomous, accept the responsibility that is its, to continue its academic contributions as a legal entity in itself.

"Other members of the board, which has overseen our past and prepares for our future, are Director John D. Churchill; Roe S. Clark, treasurer, Package Machinery Company; Dr. William C. Hill, principal emeritus, Classical High School; Blake A. Hoover, retired general secretary, Springfield YMCA; Charles E. Lee, current general secretary, Springfield YMCA; and Horace J. Rice, attorney, long-time instructor and teacher in the School of Business and the School of Law, associate dean of the latter, and Mr. Emerson's predecessor as the chairman of our governing board."

Two kittens were watching a tennis match. One of them said proudly, "My mother is in that racket."

## Epsilon Committees Keep Frat Busy

The brothers of Epsilon Phi Sigma fraternity have been buzzing with activity this season, both socially and business-wise.

On February 10, the annual Valentine Dance was held at Blake's to the music of Fred Falvo. An attractive and tasty Valentine cake served as a center piece for the occasion. The committee under the chairmanship of Fran Chunglo awarded several door prizes; one of note was a thirty-six piece set of plastic dishes. Alumni who were noticed during the course of the evening were Irving Duclos, Eugene Riley, Edward P. Smith, Jr. and Joseph Chechile.

The scholarship plaque committee reports that it has completed its work, and the names will now be added to the plaque. The financial committee is conducting a life membership drive to get those who have graduated to become life members at a nominal fee. This drive is meeting with great success.

On March 2, the fraternity held the regular meeting at the school. The nominating committee is at work selecting a group of names for new officers. The election will take place in April.

Word has been received from one brother who now is serving with the Navy in Japan. Members of the fraternity, especially those of the classes of 1951 and 1952 remember Justin Converse. Japan is where he is in case you missed seeing him. He has notified us that there are no facilities to continue schooling to complete the courses he was taking here, but he is learning some Japanese. The fraternity congratulates Lieutenant Converse on his recent promotion to his new rank.

## Kappa Entertains Visiting Brothers

Pi Tau Kappa was host February 17th, at the Hotel Charles, to the other chapters in Boston, Worcester and Providence on their annual visit to Springfield.

The members all got together before the dinner for bowling at the Recreation Center Lanes. A delicious dinner was served at 6:30 P. M. The speaker, Mr. James Low of the Bay State Thread Works, spoke on the subject "Mine's Scotch — What's Yours?" discussing the ideas of how one may express himself. The talk was very interesting and helpful to all.

Preceding the dinner the following were made members of the fraternity: Albert N. Yenian, William C. Connell, and Howard D. Mosher.

The date for the annual Ladies' Night was set as March 10 at Toto's.

## Sorority Initiates Two New Members

Sigma Nu Upsilon initiation of new members was held Sunday afternoon February 18 in the Oppenheimer Room of the Y. M. C. A.

Bessie Catsoufis '56 and Laura Gagne '56 were put through the paces of a short hazing much to their dismay and to the delight of the sorority members who had gone through the ordeal in previous years. Rose Riskalla then turned the survivors over to Ramona Delworth, president, who welcomed the new members.

The girls served refreshments which were contributed by Barbara Dubuzesk, Lois Taylor, Marcella Moran, Ramona Delworth, and Rose Riskalla. Discussion of general topics of interest followed. Copies of the new by-laws were distributed by Rose Riskalla, who served as chairman of the committee for revising the old laws, which had been in effect since 1935.

Miss Louise Gasperini of 32 Broad Street, Springfield, was the winner of the luggage raffled off by the sorority. The girls thank everyone who donated so generously to the fund.

## Accountants Visit

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chine the organization has designed, the National Model 31 was also on display. Mr. Frank Kernan demonstrated the uses of this mechanism. He spoke first of bookkeeping machines in general and then specified the particular characteristics of the Model 31. He said that the versatility of the machine accomplished by use of the form-posting bar, made this equipment suitable for any size office. He described the detail required by a customer for salesmen's records, and instructed a student who posted a mythical transaction.

Mr. DeWolf, Mr. Hansen, Mr. Kernan, and Mr. E. D. Judd answered questions and distributed literature to persons interested.

## Hank Takes Partner

Henry Downey '50 has hit the headlines again with his recent announcement of the formation of a partnership with John R. Doyle, public accountant. Their office is located at 31 Elm Street. A recent issue of "The Nor'easter" carried an article announcing Hank's accomplishment, the dream of all accountants — passing the certified public accounting examination. Hank hasn't stopped there, however, for he is now taking a law course at Hartford, Conn. The best of luck in your new venture, Hank, from your alma mater.



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## Busy Commencement Week Program Ends Thirtieth Senior Drive for Degrees

The What, Where, and When calendar for the class of 1951 senior activities marks the first seven days of June as all-important as the final issue of *The Nor'easter* goes to press.

### Schedule

Friday, June 1 — Rehearsal of class — 7 P. M. at Faith Church, Sumner and Fort Pleasant Avenues.

Informal reception for seniors will follow in church parlors.

Sunday, June 3 — Baccalaureate service — 11 A. M. at Faith Church. Seniors will wear caps and gowns.

Monday, June 4 — Class Day exercises — 7 P. M. at Toto's, Northampton Road. Dress is semi-formal.

Wednesday, June 6 — Graduation at Faith Church — 8 P. M. Dress for seniors is cap and gown. Student speakers and outside speaker will deliver addresses.

Thursday, June 7 — Alumni Dinner — 6:45 P. M. at Blake's. Dress is informal. Steak dinner will be followed by election of new officers, entertainment, and dancing. Wives and guests of alumni are welcome.

The Office of the Registrar has announced that the following members of the graduating class have been selected as provisional speakers for the commencement exercises: Richard C. Blackburn (E&B), Harold J. Brunette (Man.), Charles F. Griffin (E&B), Edward F. Olechna (E&B), and Herbert A. Pace (Acct.).

The selection of the provisional speakers is based on high scholastic attainment at Springfield Northeastern, and two of the six students will deliver the actual orations, with two others standing by as alternates. Final appointment will be made on the basis of the quality and contents of the

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### N. A. C. A. PRESENTS BOOKS

The National Association of Cost Accountants has presented our library with new business literature of special interest to accounting students. The *Cost Accountant's Handbook*, NACA Yearbook and Conference Procedures for the years 1944 through 1950, the NACA Bulletins, *Five Monographs on Business Income*, published by A. I. A., and the NACA Anniversary Papers are now available for student use.

## Council Nominees Total Twenty-Four

Ballots for the 1951-52 student council elections have been mailed to each student registered at Springfield Northeastern. Each year students have an opportunity to vote for five persons to serve on the council. Members are elected for a one-year term starting June 1. The ballot this year contains twenty-four candidates' names as follows:

George Brooks, John Butler, John M. Campbell, Russell Cape, Eugene Caradonna, Francis Chunglo, Glenn Engel, Laura Gonyea, Joseph Hurley, Frank Ittner, Thomas Kerrigan, John Kowal, Robert Kubicek, Walter Lachman, Fran Marshall, Ralph Peat, Joseph Reilly, Rose Riskalla, Lena Rossi, Bernard Schreyer, Michael P. Szwed, Herbert C. Ward, Curtis Wing, and Rosemary Williams.

The ballot also contains space for five write-in votes. It is therefore possible for a student to vote for five people not listed on the ballot.

President Carl Glans urges students to keep in mind the fact that the student council represents them, and that their votes are necessary to insure a thoroughly representative council.

## Thirtieth Commencement

This is the thirtieth commencement for Northeastern, Springfield Division. The anniversary of an institution, from the scholastic point of view, should be proclaimed loudly and with pride. Northeastern has grown up.

In all these years, numerous instructors have taught within the portals of learning. Some have stayed but for a short time and then gone on to other fields; others have become veterans. Of the original group, only five remain today:

Guy D. Miller, Associate Dean, 1919 — Business Reports and Conferences, Business Readings, Thesis, Student Counselor; John D. Churchill, Director, 1920 — History; Alexander D. Davis, 1920 — Engineering Drawing; Gilbert C. Walker, 1922 — Introductory Accounting; David H. Brown, 1923 — Economics.

We who have studied under these instructors have learned to look upon them as the bulwarks of the school. We listen to them with respect and enjoy the occasional bursts of humor that mellow each lecture.

In 1919 the school started as Northeastern College with a School of Law and Commerce and Finance. In 1922, it became a university. The Evening Engineering Institute was added. At all times the quality of the education the school has provided has been re-

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## Bankruptcy Expert Guest Speaker

On April 11 the credits and collections class had the pleasure of listening to an authority on bankruptcy, a graduate of Northeastern University Law School, Boston Division, class of 1917, Attorney Abraham Kamberg.

Attorney Kamberg related the development of bankruptcy laws from the Biblical period to the present day. The Hebrews, when they framed the law for their nation, realized that the honest man must be given aid when he could not meet his just debts, and so in Deut., Chapter 15, the leaders outlined the procedure to be followed.

The Romans and later the English under King Henry VIII also made provisions for the bankrupt. In the United States laws and amendments were enacted from 1800 to 1938. In the past few months President Truman officially entitled such legislation as the Bankruptcy Act.

A study of the Act reveals many factors to be considered, the highlights of which were covered that evening. If at any time the federal statute were done away with, Massachusetts common law would be applicable although there is no provision for discharge.

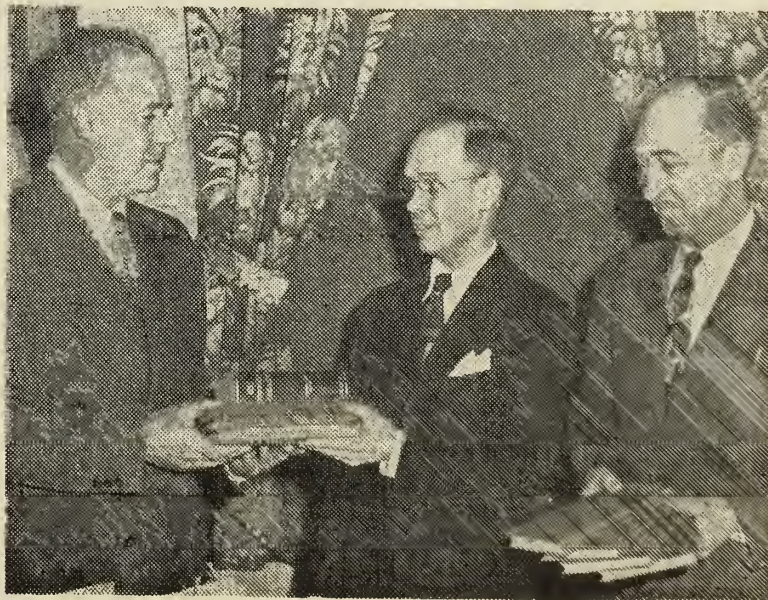
A question and answer period followed in which all the students actively participated. The discussion was most interesting, and Mr. Kamberg's anecdotes revealed his fine sense of humor. Attorney Kamberg's tastes and talents also branch to the arts and to the viola section of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra.

## Statistics Classes Prepare Reports

The classes in business statistics taught by Mr. George Fearnley have concluded the course by presenting group projects on various business problems, employing the principles learned during the year. Some of the topics and the chairman of the groups are as follows:

A Typical Survey, Charles Packard; Finished Steel Composite Prices, John Brody; Trend of Women Occupations, Carl Richards; Uses of Quality Control in Machinery and Electrical Machinery Industries, Raymond Robillard; What Lies Ahead for The Fuller Brush Company, Michael

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John Bly, Librarian, center, receives books from Richard Lovett, class of '34 and N. A. C. A. director of education, left; and Thomas R. Moriarty, class of '35, right.



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## In Appreciation

This is the final issue of *The Nor'easter* for the college year, 1950-51. The members of the staff and the editor express appreciation for a person who has devoted much of his valuable time and effort toward publishing a student publication. The guidance, mature judgment, and understanding of our faculty adviser, Mr. Chatto, have made writing, editing, and reading the paper a real pleasure for all.

## A Challenge

"Any young man or woman who enrolls in a college or university by that very act agrees to develop his faculties, to think independently, to gain a sense of values. Unless he does so, going to college is a mockery.

"You have in your head all the makings of an exquisite precision tool that will stay by you all your life. You have in your body the bursting vitality without which your life will be nothing but drab existence. . . .

"You will learn to use your mind, to understand that effect follows cause, to put your snap opinions and prejudices under the microscope, and see how they stack up against the facts. Here you will learn to brush elbows with a thousand kinds of people, and learn what it takes to live with other human beings. . . ."

These are the words of a noted educator speaking to an entering class of college students. The challenge, however, need not be limited. It is here at Springfield Northeastern, and it is presented to six classes. How are you meeting the challenge?

## Senior Needs

A room where the seniors may gather before and after class, a bulletin board of their own where they can look for news concerning themselves, a faculty adviser to whom they can turn in trying moments, must be a dream in the minds of the seniors as they vainly try to read every notice on the bulletin board in the school lobby.

Why can't the seniors be permitted to put up a bulletin board in some class room where they would feel free to come in and read any notice posted there for their benefit? They would use this home room before and after classes so that the room may still be used for class purposes during the hours of seven to nine.

By having their own room and board, only the seniors would be interested in congregating there. This would be another way of aiding the seniors to get to know each other so that when graduation time does come around they will be at least nodding acquaintances instead of mere strangers. The better they know one another, the more interesting their yearbook would be. Instead of carrying ordinary routine information, the book would be filled with interesting side-lights and humorous skits that only those well acquainted with one another can thoroughly appreciate.

As graduation time nears, the seniors are constantly told to watch the board for such information as class rings, yearbook information, pictures, cap and gown measurements, fees, graduation information. The poor senior inadvertently overlooks the most vital information while scanning the overcrowded board in the lobby. Then too, he may have worked up to the front of the board through a mass of humanity, which seemed purposely to bar him from getting there easily, only to discover that there is more again, only to have the bell ring. After class he may try again, only to have the driver with whom he commutes calmly and callously announce he is in a hurry to get home.

As graduation time nears, a faculty adviser seems the logical one to turn to in matters of etiquette, dress program, etc. He would be in a position to advise and to remind of the million and one details that are sometimes unintentionally overlooked.

Do we want a yearbook, programs, souvenirs? Where to print them? At what cost? Class Day — where? Guests? Speakers? There are endless questions that come up and take so much time in solving themselves. Every class does its own research. This is fine, but it takes time of which we have so little. A reliable source of information, a faculty adviser would be able to tell what last year's class did, what the previous classes did, where they went, what they spent. He would be able to suggest any new innovations that could be tried out.

Every class wants to graduate with a feeling that it has accomplished something and that it has received the most out of its school. These suggestions should certainly help to attain that goal.



## The Soap Box

You asked for better representation on the Student Council and your present Council has answered with a ballot, mailed to each student. On this ballot are the names of those students who have professed interest in school affairs. Membership on the Student Council is the medium through which they feel they can best serve the student body. These are by no means not the only interested people, your Council fully realizes, therefore it has provided you with spaces enough for write-ins, the names of others you feel would be qualified.

The Council numbers 16, yet we can vote for only five. The administration with the help of the faculty chooses the remaining eleven. This is not a healthy situation, but the blame rests entirely on the student body. Unless good and prompt response by way of mailed in completed ballots is forthcoming, we can lose the remaining five. Let's show good interest this year and make that five grow to sixteen next year. Students should control the Student Council, and now more than ever we are in need of a smooth functioning representative groups to promote our interests.

Send in your completed ballots as soon as possible; it's up to you from here in.

### ATTENTION!

Mail in your completed ballot.

Student Council activities are important.

Elect your own representatives now.

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Of what value is a college education to you if the subjects you studied have little, if anything, to do with your work? This question has been and is being asked frequently. It is being asked of workers and of the unemployed. It often makes many college graduates feel that the years spent toward acquiring a diploma have been in vain.

This view is not necessarily true, and it need not be true. Regardless of the nature of the courses studied—liberal arts or vocational — the benefits

of studying, of learning to absorb interesting and important facts and of logical thinking can carry on from the college years through life.

Even if it helps a person only to read his newspaper intelligently and understandingly, a college education repays the money and the effort expended. The newspaper and the magazine are the textbooks of the school of everyday life. Within their pages are found the hopes, the tragedies and the comedies of man's association with man. Yet, most people skim the pages of the papers and magazines, reading everything or nothing and learning little. Getting at the meat of the printed page and analyzing critically the thoughts and ideas expressed are habits acquired from poring long hours over textbook after textbook.

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Are you between 18 and 25? You are? Then you're waiting for Uncle Sam to tag you. This means an end to your educational pursuit, temporarily at least, forever perhaps, twenty-one months of service if you're lucky, three and more years in event of an emergency. You'll never get that degree!

But is it really that bad? No, I don't think so, and here are some reasons why not.

The Armed Forces University Extension program is now able to offer an almost unlimited number of courses that will enable you to earn college credits while in the service. Stateside most of the large camps conduct night school classes, utilizing facilities from nearby universities and colleges. Overseas the picture is just as good. In Europe and Japan, the opportunity exists for the G.I. to attend some of the world's renowned schools.

Suppose now, for some reason, you are unable to take advantage of these educational opportunities while serving your country. When you come back in a year or two, or maybe more, will you be willing to start the grind from "scratch" - - to start the grind on a seemingly never-ending road to that degree?

Yes, I think so, and probably with more fervor and interest than ever before to get the most out of your classes. Because, in the interim, you will have realized that it is not rapidly reaching the set educational goal that is foremost in your mind, but rather a continuous craving for knowledge. That is the reason you are willing to devote so much of your valuable time evenings, Saturdays and Sundays to your studies.

Mind you I am not saying that you are not being asked to give up something, nor am I inferring that it will be an easy task. It will require perseverance, will-power and stamina. However aren't those just the qualities you are endowed with? Otherwise you wouldn't be here.



## Paging Mrs. Post

Etiquette, of such vital importance in the business world, is completely overlooked in the school. How is a poor overworked student to know the correct niceties that are expected of every gentleman unless he is occasionally briefed on them? The most brilliant students become that way because they are taught, have books to read, and teachers to bring out the important points.

Certainly there are books on etiquette but to be caught reading one seems to be the worst kind of disgrace.

Another name for it may be poise or good taste. Everyone wants to be known as having good taste and poise, yet everyone is not aware that it must be acquired just like any other skill or knowledge.

In seeking positions that require knowledge, experience, and intelligence, there is also another factor considered — good taste, manners, and poise. Some important positions require three interviews, one in the business office, one in the home of the interviewed, and one in a public dining room or hotel. The reason is to study the man under all circumstances to see whether he is all-round capable. The office interview is taken care of by the education acquired at school. The home and outside interviews are left up to the individual. It is a very well known fact that more business deals are put over on the golf course and at social dinners than in the office.

Unless a graduate who is seeking one of these better positions is equipped with a thorough knowledge in the field that he wishes to excel in but is also well versed in matters of good taste and what is socially correct, he is apt to muffle the interviews.

The finishing touches to a good education are simple courtesy, kindness, and consideration. College is an appropriate place to learn and apply these ideals.

## ALUMNI PROMOTED

The Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Co. recently announced the promotion of two of its officers to the position of senior vice-president. The two men, Robert W. Emerson and Chester J. Chambers, are both former Northeastern students.

Mr. Emerson, who has been with the bank since 1917, is the chairman of the board of governors of the Springfield Division of Northeastern. Mr. Chambers, who first became an officer of the bank in 1920, has been with the bank for the past 36 years.

Joseph U. Bilodeau '49 has been made Chief of the Procurement Branch of the Inspection Division at the Springfield Armory. This position entails responsibilities of nation-wide scope and involves contractors making small arms.

## Ray Meyers Anthropometrist

When Ray Meyers was seen measuring various students a couple of weeks ago, several interesting theories were advanced by some of the students. Although Ray is an important man in the Diamond Match Co., was he selling suits on the side? Was it part of a fraternity initiation? Did Northeastern have a one-student course in anthropometry? Had Ray found the time to read the exciting annals of the French Surête and had become an amateur Alphonse Bertillon?

Not at all! The treasurer of the Class of '51 was just making sure that the seniors have a proper fit in caps and gowns for graduation. That's just like Ray. When he has a job to do, he does it right. Whether he's collecting class dues, coaxing tardy seniors to get their Readings in, or splitting hair with Mr. Garlock on corporate financial policy in M20, Ray is conscientious about it. That's one of his many likeable qualities.

The Class of '51 is to be complimented on its choice of the genial Ray Meyers as its treasurer — and measurer.

Rose Riskalla '52 "officially" welcomed the baseball season on April 12 when the Red Sox came to Springfield. All friends will refrain from inquiring what would have happened if Boston had lost...

Who said accountants don't make good golfers? Walter Niemczyk '52 is an expert! He won the week end

## The Search

In the quiet stillness of the halls of Northeastern a half hour or so before the start of classes, we wandered one evening. Suddenly from one of the rooms came the ominous 'snap' and somehow we knew that disaster had struck again. Almost instantly, a student dashed from the dimly lit room clutching tenaciously to the weapon which had so skillfully been incapacitated. The student wandered aimlessly down the hall trying all the doors to his right and then to his left. Like the prisoner in a room of a thousand doors and only one leading to freedom, he continued his frantic search. We watched his movements as he met with little success. He seemed utterly exhausted and paused before the last door at the end of the corridor.

Slowly he opened the door and cautiously peered within. A new life, a brilliance to behold suddenly befell his features, for there on the wall was the object of his long search. Tenderly he raised his broken pencil to the sharpener and proceeded to repair the damage. He retired to his classroom, confident that he could complete his assignment before the instructor arrived.

This brought an end to what seemed near disaster, and all because sometime in the past someone had been thoughtful enough to place a pencil sharpener in ONE of our upstairs classrooms.

best-nine holes, less half handicap, tournament at the Ludlow Country Club at the first tourney of the season.

## Four Receive Prized N Pins

At the annual Spring Dinner Dance, Director John D. Churchill presented on behalf of the student council, the gold N's to four persons who have rendered outstanding service to the student body and to the school.

Alfred LaRiviere, who has contributed greatly to student life as a member of the council, is wearing an N. He has participated actively in all phases of council work and has always attempted to accomplish his duties promptly and at a minimum cost to students. When commencement brings to a close his career as a student, N. U. will have lost a good man, the alumni's gain.

Curtis Wing's ability as an organizer has benefited the entire student body. The success of the last two Spring Dinner Dances can be traced in great measure to Curt, new owner of an N.

During the years that Russ Cape has served on the council, he has been the quiet and efficient right hand of the president. In particular, Russ, also an N recipient, is remembered for his work on this year's freshman handbook.

Industrious effort has become synonymous with the name, Walter Lachman, another new N-owner. Everything from securing parking places to eagle-eyed observance of council finances has been in the realm of his concern.

Originally, only one such pin was awarded annually. Now the council is empowered to award five.



Our head table at the Spring Dance, Hotel Highland



## Statistics Classes

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Szwed; The Outlook for College Enrollment, Rose Riskalla; Comparison of National and Local Trends in Electrical Energy Sales 1940-1950, Salvatore Mazzaferro; A Study of the Relationship of Purchasing to Inventory Control, Charles Gervickas; Federal Reserve System-Open Market Buying of Securities, Frank Healy; Statistical Quality Control in Industry, Alfred LaPan; and A Study of Local Power Company Sales in Relationship to National Figures, Curtis Wing.

## Elections Wind Up Frat Activities

### Epsilon Phi Sigma

On April 6, Epsilon Phi Sigma held its regular monthly meeting at Blake's. After the business session, the members spent an enjoyable evening together.

The nominating committee presented the slate of officers to be voted upon at the May meeting. They are President, John Kowal; Vice President, Jacob Daniels and Michael Szwed; Secretary, Walter Lachman and Glenn Engel; Treasurer, Francis Chunglo; Chairman of Initiation, Al Couture, William O'Neil, and Albert Lizza; and Directors, Alfred LaRiviere, Angelo Lacivita, and Edmond McNamara.

The annual dance and installation of officers will take place on May 26.

### Pi Tau Kappa

The Pi Tau Kappa Fraternity held their monthly meeting and dinner Saturday, April 21st, at Blake's.

Following the dinner, five students, Paul J. Chabot, James A. Finn, Edward A. Lapan, John Hardaker and Robert Sanderson, were accepted into the fraternity. Dave Rubin, the Professor of Pantomime, gave some very fine impersonations.

The next scheduled event is the annual competition between the four chapters, Boston, Worcester, Springfield and Providence. This year it will be held in the Biltmore Hotel, Providence, R. I., on May 19, 1951.

On Saturday, June 2, 1951, Pi Tau Kappa will hold their annual election of officers at Storrovton. All members are urged to attend.

### STORK VISITS FACULTY

This time it's the faculty's turn to pass out the cigars! The stork presented Mr. and Mrs. David Nickerson with a baby boy; Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Murphy, a daughter; and Mr. and Mrs. William G. Holmes, a son, all recently.

**HAPPINESS:** "The foolish man seeks happiness in the distance; the wise grows it under his feet."

—James Oppenheim

## Students Conduct Unusual Panel

Significant of the variety of interests to which Northeastern students devote thought is the number of subjects discussed in the popular public speaking course conducted by Mr. Sidney Doane.

The Future of Family Life in the United States drew much attention from a group composed largely of members of the class of '52 who held a panel on the topic.

In tracing the origin of the family, Curtis Wing described the Hebrew, Greek, and Roman patriarchal families. He mentioned the effect of the industrial revolution on Anglo-Saxon ideas. He said the Puritans in America were strict, and the children were strictly disciplined. As the American people moved westward into the wilderness, women rose to a partnership level with their husbands in the conduct of internal affairs. In the 18th and 19th centuries women fought for and gained equal right with men. And so we have the problems of modern marriage.

The forces strengthening modern marriage were listed by Philip Overlock as follows:

Freedom of women and children, better schools, the government, medical services, public information, and new homes.

Leonard Daigneault said the basis of society is the family because the family is the root of society. Training for good citizenship and vocational and social training begin at home.

Jake Daniels continued the discussion, stating that family ties are greater if parental responsibility for children is 50-50 and not one-sided.

The divorce problem was described by James Shonak as a "community cancer." He charged the rapid increase in the divorce rate to poor family life and to the laws of our state and society. He urged better laws be established.

The discussion closed with questions among the panel members and from the audience. The event drew much interest from the public speaking classes which are under the direction of Mr. Sidney Doane.

### CLASS OF '52 MEETS

The Class of 1952 held its first class meeting on April 18. Curtis Wing acted as chairman and outlined tentative plans for next year. Thirty-three members of the class attended and were given a written outline of the things to be accomplished before graduation. One more meeting is planned before the end of this semester.

Edward Kennedy '51 is now employed by the American Bosch Co. as a process engineer.

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contending dissertations, as well as the delivery from the podium.

The Class of 1951 will hold Class Night, Monday, June 4th, with a banquet at Toto's Restaurant, Smith's Ferry, Holyoke, beginning at 7:00 P. M.

The graduating class and their guests will be welcomed by the Class President, Herbert A. Pace. Director John D. Churchill will be principal speaker.

A class gift to Northeastern will be presented by Richard C. Blackburn. After the dinner, the class Will and Prophecy will be read by Edward T. Kennedy and Alfred A. La Riviere.

Class guests will include Mr. John D. Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Guy D. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Leon D. Chapin, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen.

There will be dancing following the dinner and presentations. Dress will be semiformal.

## Sorority Plans Annual Reception

Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority customarily gives the graduating class a reception on the night of their rehearsal. This reception takes place right after the rehearsal.

Because it is to be the thirtieth commencement, the reception seems to call for a special celebration. This year the Sorority is going all out in making the occasion a memorable affair and will be aided by the two fraternities as well as the Student Council.

As this is an evening school and everyone carries a double or even triple load of working, attending school, and even holding down extra odd jobs, the school social functions are limited to two affairs, the Freshman Reception and the Annual Spring Dance.

When graduation time rolls around a feeling of nostalgia hits every senior. He is to leave these halls of learning and embark upon a new career and new activities. There is a feeling of happiness at having reached his goal, a feeling of regret to be separated from what has become a habit, and a feeling of remorse at having had very little time for social life that other schools seem to indulge in so freely. He looks upon Commencement Week with mixed feelings. In this one week, he will enjoy all the excitement, thrills, and social activity that he can possibly crowd into that short period.

The Senior Reception is the start of the Commencement Week Activities. Every senior and his wife or guest is invited to attend and enjoy the informal get-together.

The cause of all divorce is marriage.

## Thirtieth Commencement

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spected in the community, the state, and the nation.

Northeastern, the very name suggests an impressive monument to learning. It conveys strength, dignity, and pride. We who attend are thrilled by it. Upon nearing the school, our steps become firm, our heads erect. We belong here. We are proud of our school.

Look about, and especially here in the city, you will find numerous prominent men and women who are alumni of Northeastern. You no doubt are familiar with some of the following:

Earle H. Paine, Stanley O. Smith, George W. Rice, Donald M. Macaulay, Agnes C. Reavey, Margaret E. Ganley, Catherine Casey Moriarty, Frances Bryant, and hosts of others.

The first woman to be graduated was Agnes Adele Ranson (deceased) with a B. C. S. degree in accounting in 1923.

Congratulations, Northeastern, upon your thirtieth commencement! May you continue to inspire, to raise to the pinnacle of success your students who so diligently trudge through all weather to partake of the knowledge which you so generously extend to them. Success to your future!

## Sigma Nu Elects

The 1951-52 officers for Sigma Nu Upsilon Sorority have been elected. Nominations were made at the February meeting, and balloting was completed in March. The new officers are as follows:

Rose Riskalla, president; Laura Gonyea, vice president; Lois Taylor, secretary; and Selma Riskalla, treasurer.

A surprise shower was held for Rose Mercure at the home of Betty Sullivan on Sunday, April 1, by the Sorority. She was presented with a corsage and a place setting of sterling.

Miss Mercure leaves for California May 7, where she is to be married to Chester Paine. Pleasant trip, Rose, and best wishes!

The Outdoor Activities Club held a spring hike Sunday, April 15.

There was a sizeable turnout on this beautiful sunny afternoon. The group blazed original trails over Mt. Tom Reservation.

The hike was brought to a close by a picnic luncheon amidst nature's thrilling setting of spring with its glorious promise of summer a few weeks hence.

Another outing is planned for May 27. Plans are incomplete at present. Watch the bulletin board for details.

No man is so tall that he need never stretch nor so small that he need never stoop.